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BIRTHS.

ALLEN—December, 1940, at Quetta, India, to Laila, wife of Lieut.-Colonel Frederick J. Allen, Royal Corps of Signals, a daughter (Lorraine).

BUTLER—December 20, 1940, at "Four Winds," Priests road, Tramore, to Joan Doreen (née Cater), wife of R. N. Butler, Tramore, a daughter.

GILL—December 22, 1940, at 25 Lower Leeson street, to Kathleen (née Sharman), wife of W. N. Gill, 30 Tudor road, Phoenix Dublin, a son.

GLYNN—December 24, 1940, at Nairobi, Kenya, to Eve, wife of Norman Glynn, Second Lieutenant, K.A.R., a son.

HOGAN—December 19, 1940, to Marian (née McClure), wife of Lieutenant H. R. Hogan, "Inverness," Fairfield Park, Highfield road, Rathgar, a son (Henry Vair).

KIDNEY—December 10, 1940, at Leinster Nursing Home, to Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kidney, Glenageary, a son.

McNEILL—December 26, 1940, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Dorothy (nee Vaughan), wife of Norman McNeill, 21 St. Helen's road, Booterstown, Co. Dublin, a son.

MOLLAN—Christmas Day, 1940, at Cairo, to Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Frank Mollan, the gift of a son.

MURNAGHAN—December 21, 1940, at the Harcourt Nursing Home, the wife of Vincent H. Murnaghan, Leighton Lodge, Rathfarnham, Dublin, of a daughter.

POYNTON—December 8, 1940, at Laurel Hill, Bonavalley, Athlone, to Ethan, wife of T. J. Poynton, a son.

MARRIAGES.

JOHNSTONE and JOSLIN—December 22, 1940, at Greenham Church, Newbury, Frederick Stanley Atkinson, R.A.F., youngest son of C. E. and Mrs. Johnstone, Bank of Ireland, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath, to Gladys May, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Joslin, Glenis, Newbury, Berkshire.

WHEELER and WITHAM—November 23, 1940, at R.A.F. Church, Leconfield, by the Chaplain, George Hugh, eldest son of Mr. F. W. Wheeler, 6 Woodstock Gardens, to Anne (Nan), youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Witham, of Cottingham, E. Yorkshire.

DEATHS.

ARMOUR—December 31, 1940, at Clay Lane Farm, Great Marlow, Bucks, William Staveley Armour, M.B.E., M.A., B.Litt (Oxon), barrister-at-law, eldest son of the late Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Armour, Ballymoney.

HARRIS—December 31, 1940, at a Dublin hospital, Herbert Moore, dearly loved husband of Sophie Harris, 3 Sandyford terrace, Drogheda. Service at Presbyterian Church, 11 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday), January 2nd. Funeral afterwards to St. Mary's Churchyard, Drogheda.

HYAMS—December 31, 1940, at Collon, Co. Louth, Pinckney Abram Hyams, late of Charleston, South California, U.S.A., aged 78 years. Charleston papers, please copy.

LACHLAN WHITE—December 29, 1940, at Bredfield House, Woodbridge, Frances Mary (Pansy), widow of the late C. B. Lachlan White, aged 77 years. Fortified by rites of Holy Church. Requiem Mass to-morrow (Thursday), January 2nd, 10 a.m. Funeral Service, 2 p.m., at St. Thomas' Church, Woodbridge. Interment Bredfield Churchyard.

MALONE—December 31, 1940, Sarah, beloved wife of Jeremiah Malone, ex-R.I.C., Thomas street, Wexford. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing husband and family. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to Church of the Assumption to-day (Wednesday) at 7 p.m. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday) at 2.30 to St. Ibar's Cemetery, Crosstown.

SEEDS—December 31, 1940 (suddenly), at Royal City of Dublin Hospital, Robert James Seeds, of 256 Merrion road, loving husband of Charlotte Seeds. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday) morning, from hospital to Dean's Grange Cemetery.

WRIGHT—December 30, 1940, at "Ulverton," Dalkey, Doctor W. M. A. Wright, in his 89th year, elder son of the late Thomas Wright, J.P., "Braganza," Dalkey. Funeral private. No flowers.

WRIGHT—December 31, 1940, at his residence, "Gunamara," Leslie avenue, Dalkey, Herbert, dearly beloved husband of Gertrude Wright. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and son; also brothers, relatives, and a large circle of friends. Funeral arrangements later.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 4.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. Croly wishes to thank all kind friends who sent letters, telegrams and flowers, trusting this will be accepted by all in grateful acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM.

DORMER—In loving memory of Margaret, beloved wife of Edward Dormer, called Home 1st January, 1939. "Peace, perfect peace."

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And notice is hereby given that after the said 8th February, 1941, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the Deceased, having regard only to such claims of which particulars have been received.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1941.
A. O'HAGAN & SON, Solicitors for the Executors, 9 Harcourt street, Dublin.

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FOR FURTHER SMALL ADVTS. SEE PAGE 1.

103 YEARS OLD WOMAN'S DEATH

DRANK POISON IN ERROR FOR MILK

A verdict of accidental death, due to the deceased drinking Jeyes' fluid in mistake for milk, was returned at an inquest at Omagh yesterday into the death of a centenarian named Catherine McElhatton, Gortmore, who died on Saturday last. A neighbour said that deceased, who had become frail and childish, told her she had drunk disinfectant by mistake. Thomas McElhatton, son of the deceased, said his mother was born in November, 1837.

IRISH WEDDING

MR. JAMES C. HOLMES AND MISS E. S. McMODIE

The wedding took place yesterday morning at Dundonald Presbyterian Church, Belfast, of Mr. James Colville Holmes, only son of Mrs. Holmes, Ard Cuan, Newtownards, and the late Mr. James Holmes, and Miss Elsie Scott McMordie, eldest daughter of Mr. William F. T. McMordie, J.P., and Mrs. McMordie, Solitude, Ballygowan.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a two-piece suit in the new "Asconia" blue, trimmed [illegible] in the new revers. The full-length [illegible] beige fox ruched at the waist, and [illegible] side panels completed the ensemble. [illegible] accessories in wine colour completed the ensemble.

Miss May A. C. Holmes was bridesmaid, sister of the bridegroom, was [illegible]d, and Mr. Norman McMordie was [illegible]d, brother of the bride. The Rev. W. K. McLernon, M.A., minister of Ballygowan Presbyterian Church, officiated at the [illegible] of the Rev. G. T. Boyd, M.A., minister of Newtownards Presbyterian Church, Newtownards, officiated.

After the ceremony, [illegible] were entertained at Solitude, the home of the bride.

LITTLE DOING ON WALL STREET

QUIET STRENGTH HERE AND THERE

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

Trading were doing little to-day, with the volume largely consisting of year-end adjusting. Business news remains hopeful, and contracts approved by the Defence Commission are so [illegible] estimated at $10,000,000,000. However, stimulation from war news was lacking. The steel price problem has arisen owing to the advance in scrap at Pittsburgh, in face of the administration's antipathetic attitude.

Of the 903 Stocks traded in the turnover of 1,070,000 shares, 386 advanced, 286 declined and 231 remained unchanged.

The market opened active and narrowly irregular. The tone became easier, with dealings relatively slow, but some cashing in owing to the holiday was partially counterbalanced by replacements. In the afternoon trading was narrow and irregular, though quiet strength was evident here and there. Losses ranging to a point were fairly numerous, as hesitancy succeeded the recent upward tendencies. Steel, Oil and Industrial issues moved fractionally ahead, while mixed changes appeared in the Chemical, Aviation, Rail and Utility groups.

Late profit-taking whittled down prices, especially in the Steel and Aviation sections. The Oil group, however, was resistant.

The closing trend was irregular.

To-morrow being New Year's Day all United States and Canadian markets will be closed.

	Tues.	Sat.
Money	1¼	1%
London Cables	–	4.03⅜
Montreal Cables	–	4.87⅛

Equity.	STOCKS	Closing Bid. Tues	Sat.
4⅛	Baltimore and Ohio	3¾	3¼
4⅜	Canadian Pacific	3⅝	3½
79½	Louisville and Nashville	63	61½
17¼	N.Y. Central	13¾	13⅞
10	Norfolk and W. Common	210½	211½
28⅜	Pennsylvania	22⅝	22⅞
16¼	Reading	13⅛	13½
10	Southern Pacific	8⅛	7⅞
15⅜	Southern Railway	12½	12
96⅜	Union Pacific	77⅞	75½
	INDUSTRIALS.		
199⅛	Allied Chemical	161	161½
–	American Locomotive	–	–
–	American Metal	–	–
109⅛	American Can	88	86¼
52⅛	American Smelting	42½	43¼
207½	American Tel. and Tel.	167½	166¾
33⅜	Anaconda Copper	26⅛	26⅜
107¾	Bethlehem Steel	86½	85⅞
–	Case (J. I.)	–	–
99⅞	Chrysler Corp.	72	73½
171⅛	Eastman Kodak	138½	135½
40⅝	General Electric	33	32½
59⅛	General Motors	48	48⅜
29¾	International Nickel	24	23½
7⅝	Do. Tel. and Tel.	2⅛	2
46¼	Kennecott Corp.	37	36⅝
53⅛	Radio Corporation	4½	4½
17⅛	Shell Union	11½	10⅞
71⅛	U.S. Rubber	22½	22¼
86¼	U.S. Steel Common	69½	69¼
168⅜	Do. Preferred	128	127⅛
–	Woolworth	32¼	31⅝
5⅛	Silver Com. Bars	34⅛	–
9⅝	Brazilian Traction	4⅛	4⅛
	B.A. Tobacco Coupon	7½	7⅝
	BONDS.		
–	U.S. Treasury 3¼% '46-56	–	–
153¾	7% German External Loan	12¼	11

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Eng. Equiv.		Closing Bid. Tues	Sat.
176½	Bell Tel. (Canada)	158	160
7½	Brazilian T.L. and P.	6½	6⅝
22	B.C. Power "A"	25	–
1⅜	Do. "B"	1.28	1.25
9½	Canadian Car and F.	8½	8½
23¼	Do. Preferred	20½	20½
31⅞	Canadian Celanese Com.	28	28½
136½	Do. Pref.	122¼	122¼
6⅞	Canadian Cement	5¾	6
6¼	Canadian Pacific	5¾	5¾
5⅜	Cockshutt Plow	5	5
42½	Con. M. and Smelt.	38	38
31¾	Distillers' Seagrams	28	28
91¾	Dom. Textiles	81½	82⅓
10¾	Imperial Oil	9	9
15¾	Imperial Tobacco (Canada)	13½	13½
37¼	International Nickel of Canada	33¾	33⅝
15½	International Petroleum	14½	14⅝
3¼	Massey Harris	3	3
5¼	Montreal Light and Heat	4½	29⅛
29¼	National Breweries	26½	–
41⅜	National Steel Car	37	38
6¾	Power Corp. (Canada)	5⅝	5¾
15⅝	Quebec Power	14½	14
19	Shawinigan Water	17	17¼
11⅞	Southern Canadian Power	10¼	10¼
76⅞	Steel Co of Canada	68½	72
13⅜	Hollinger Mines	12¾	12½
63⅞	Noranda Mines	53¼	56¼
218½	Bank of Montreal	191	195
181¼	Canadian Bank of Commerce	162	165
184⅜	Royal Bank of Canada	165	168
	CURB PRICES.		
51⅛	Hiram Walker	46¼	45¼
20⅛	Lake Shore Mines	18½	18¼
57⅛	McIntyre Porcupine	51	50¾

† ex dividend.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

Wheat steady, ¼c. up. No. 1 Northern Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 87, No. 2 Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 86, No. 2 hard winter spot c.i.f. New York 109¾. No. 2 red winter spot 109. **Maize** steady, ¾c. up. Western No. 2 mixed spot 80⅞. **Oats** steady, ½c. up. No. 2 white, per 360lb. c.i.f. New York 52½. **Rye** steady, ¾c. up. No. 2 spot (c.i.f. New York 66¾. **Barley** quiet

DUBLIN

HOME RAILS SOARING

GUINNESS ORD. AND PREF. FIRM

There was little or no improvement in trading on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday and prices moved in irregular fashion, although the undertone continued firm.

Home Government funds were fairly busy, but movements showed no decided trend. The Second National Loan lost a fraction, but the Fourth Loan rose to 103 and 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds advanced to 104¾. Conversion Loan gave way to 104⅜, but 4 p.c. Land Bonds jumped 10s. to 101½; 3½ p.c. War Loan recovered 5s. to 102¼ and Bray 3½ p.c. spurted over two points to 72. Banks attracted attention and the trend was firmer. Bank of Ireland stock was raised a point to 286 and Hibernians added pence. Royals, however, relapsed to 9. Guinness Ord. and Pref. both held their previous levels.

Home Rails on renewed support supplied the chief feature of strength. Great Southern Pref. jumped two points to 9., the Guar. made further good headway to 20, and the Deb. closed 2¾ points higher at 47¼. Great Northern Guar. spurted 3½ points to 30. Dublin Tram Ord inclined to harden, but Cement Deb., shaded off to 107⅜. The remainder of the Irish Industrial list presented an idle appearance.

Interest in British Industrials was at low ebb. Imperial Chemical Ord. and Coats Ord. eased the turn, but Courtaulds repeated 31s. 6d.

The Dublin Stock Exchange will be closed to-day (New Year's Day).

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

GOVERNMENT FUNDS—5 p.c. Second National Loan (111½) 111¼; do. (under £200) (111⅝) *111; 4½ p.c. Third Loan (under £200) (110) 110; 3½ p.c. Fourth Loan (102½) 103; 4 p.c. Conversion Loan (105) 104⅜; do. (under £200) 104½; 3¾ p.c. Financial Agreement (103¾) 103⅝; 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds (104½) 104¾; do. (Deed) (104¼) 104⅝; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (under £200) (111⅜) 111⅛; 4 p.c. Land Bonds (101¼) 101¼, and do. (under £200) 101½. **BRITISH FUNDS**—3½ p.c. War Loan (102⅝) 102¾ ⅞, and do. (Belfast) 102⅝. **CORPORATION STOCKS**—3¾ p.c. 1951 (69¾) 70; 72. **BANKS**—Bank of Ireland (285) *286; Hibernian (36/-) *36/6; Munster and Leinster (97/6) 98/-a, National (36/-) *36/-, and Royal (10) 9.

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES—Guinness Ord. (70/-) 70/-, and do. Pref. (14) 14. **RAILS, TRAMS, ETC.**—Great Southern Pref. (7) 9; do. Guar. (15) *20; do. Deb. (44½) 47¼ 47¼; Great Northern Guar. (26½) 29½ 30; Clontarf and Hill of Howth Ord. (75/-) 75/-b, and Dublin Tram Ord. (11/6) 11/9. **GAS**—Alliance Gas Ord. (23/9) 23/6a. **BAKERY AND MILLING**—Ranks (Ireland) Pref. (25/6) 25/6.

IRISH INDUSTRIALS—Carroll Pref. (24/6) 24/6; Cement Deb. (108) 107¾; Ever Ready (Ireland) Ord. (9/-) 9/-b 10/-a; Goodbody Ord. (27/-) 27/-a; Greenmount and Boyne Linen Pref. 21/-a; Gresham Hotel Ord. (32/6) 35/-a, and Williams and Woods Pref. (11/6 pd.) (11/9) *11/9.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS—Coats (J. and P.) Ord. (29/-) 28/10½; Courtaulds Ord. (31/6) 31/6 31/6, and Imperial Chemical Ord. (29/7½) 29/6 29/6.

*Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE

Irish Banks' rate (changed Oct. 26, 1939)... 3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred ... 3½%
Deposits under £2,000 ..... 1 %
Deposits of £2,000 and over 1½%
The foregoing rates are subject to variation.

LONDON

YEAR ENDS WITH FIRM TONE

GAINS IN BRITISH FUNDS

London Stock markets yesterday finished 1940 with quite a satisfactory appearance. British Funds showed firmness on further consideration of the new loans, gains of ¼ being registered by Consols 2½ per cent. and Local Loans 3 per cent. War Loan 3½ per cent., although below the best, was finally ⅛ higher at 103⅛, and the 3 per cent. added ¼ to 101. British Rails were idle and featureless, with prices steady at previous closing levels, with the exception of L.M.S., which added ¼ at 13½.

Apart from a fall in San Paulo to 28, overseas Rails were unaltered. A feature of the Foreign Bonds section was the firmness of Brazilians, which registered gains of ½ to 1 point, the Funding "A" and "B" being a full point up at 41 and 30, respectively. Japanese 4 per cent. 1899 were good at 22½, while Chinese 5 per cent. 1912 gained ½ at 23½. Greek 7 per cent., on the contrary, dwindled to 24. Industrial movements were mostly in the ascendant. S.A. Brewery attracted attention, and picked up 1s. to 101s., while Distillers were 9d. higher at 65s. 6d. Bass were good at 115s. 3d. Shipping shares registered a few small improvements, while Courtaulds were the turn higher at 31s. 10½d.

Trans-Atlantic issues were quiet. Nickels advanced ¼ to 40⅞, but Canadian Pacific Pref. shed ½ to 48½. Oils were quiet. Mexican Eagles picked up 3d. at 6s. 6d., while Attocks were the turn higher. Anglo-Ecuadorian, however, dropped a few pence to 17s. 9d. Rubber shares were unchanged, being unaffected by the further improvement in the commodity price of 1s. 0½d. per lb.

Mining shares attracted little attention. East Geduldis gained ¼ at 9⅞, while rises of ⅛ were recorded by City Deep and General Minings. Western Reefs and Western Holdings improved to 22s. 3d. and 9s. 7½d., respectively, but Zinc Corporations were a shade lower at 2⅞.

The "House" will be closed to-day (New Year's Day).

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

BELFAST.—3½ p.c. War Loan, 103, 103¼, 102⅝, 102½, 103¼; Ulster 5 p.c. Stock, 108; Midland Bank (£1 shares), 80/6, 80/-. Westminster (partly paid), 72/6; National Provincial "B" 58/3; Bank Buildings Pref., 20/6; Lever and Unilever 7 p.c., 26/-; Imperial Tobaccos, 21/-. The Exchange will be closed to-day (Wednesday).

CORK.—Second National Loan, 111¼. Fourth National Loan, 103; Conversion Loan 104⅜; Exchequer Bonds, 104⅜; War Loan 102⅝; Bank Stock, 286; Nationals, 36/-; Great Southern Pref., 9; do. Deb. 47¼; Great Northern Guar., 29½; Cork Corporation 1933 and 1937 Stock, 97 (small lots); Gresham Hotel Co., sellers 32/6; Guinness Ord., 70/-.

IMPORTANT DIVIDEND

"SHELL" INTERIM HALVED

An interim dividend of 6d. per share, tax free, compared 1s. per share, tax free, for the previous year, is announced by the Shell Transport and Trading Co. Ltd.

It should be remembered, however, that while there was no final payment for 1939, it was made clear when the interim was announced that it was not to be considered as any indication of, or as necessarily bearing any relation to, future payments.

NEW IRISH COMPANIES

The following new companies have been registered in Ireland:—

Dublin Haulage and Supply Co., Ltd. (Private)—Nominal capital, £500; first director, E. J. Fagan.

Friends Trust (Eire) Guarantee Company—To accept property of any kind and in any form.

J. A. Potter, Ltd. (Private)—Nominal capital, £2,000; automobile engineers and motor agents; first director, J. A. Potter.

Marine Motors, Ltd. (Private), 44 May street, Belfast—Nominal capital, £1,000; electricians, electric engineers and contractors, etc.; first directors, J. Robertson, 26 Malone Hill Park, Belfast; L. Scop, 17 Downview avenue, Belfast; F. A. Newell, 7 Slievemoyne Park, Belfast.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

S. P. G.,

27 MOLESWORTH STREET, DUBLIN.
20 DONEGALL SQUARE, EAST, BELFAST.
CLOSE OF FINANCIAL YEAR, 1940.

Will Treasurers, Secretaries and other Friends of the Society please note that the Books will be CLOSED ON JANUARY 14th, 1941.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Dealings prohibited. ‖ Ex bonus.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

	Closing.	Rise or Fall
Consols 2½%	76⅜	+⅛
Do. 4%	110⅝ 110⅝*	
3½% War Loan	103⅛	+⅛
War Loan 3% fully paid	101	+⅛
Funding Loan	113⅞	+⅛
Victory Bonds	112 112¼	
5% Conversion Loan	105⅜	+⅛
4½% do.	103⅝ 103⅝	
4% do.	107 11/32 107 11/32	
3½% Land (1903)	81 83	
P.S. 4½% Land Bonds	110 112	
India 3%	82 84	
Do. 3½%	95 97	
Local Loans	89⅝	+¼
National Def. 3½%	101	

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS.

Aust.		Qld.	
'45-75	105	5% '40-60	101
'55-70	105	S. Af.	
'48-53	100¾	3% '54-64	85⅛
Can		3½% '55-65	102¼
'40-60	100½	S. Aust.	
N.S.W.		5% '45-75	104
'45-65	104½	4% '40-50	101
'49-62	101	Vic.	
N.Z.		4% '40-60	101
'53-55	92	5% '45-75	104
'55-60	98½	W. Aust.	
6%	114	5% '45-75	106
		4% '42-62	101

BONDS, RAILS, BANKING.

Bel. 6½%		E.A. Gt. Sth.	5
7	14¼	Do. 4% Db	38½
5% Bd		B.A. & Pac.	
5	46	4% Deb.	52
60 Yr.A	39	Do.Con.4½%	
60 Yr.B	28	Deb.	18½
Cal.5% '95	39½	B.A. & West.	3⅛
'55-'12	24¼	Do. 4% Db.	29
Can Stov	27½	Can. Pacific	7⅞
Ex. Bnl.	80½	Do. 4% Db.	94
Fed Loan	61	C.Arg.4% Db.	24¼
Gen. Pet.	12	Do. 5% Db.	
Jpn.5%	24	79-81	23½
Do. Cv.	36½	Cord 1st Db	66½
Gt. Western	32¾	Gd Tk.4%Gr.	103
Do. Pref.	83½	San Paulo	27¼
L.M. Ord.	13½ +⅛	Ba. of Eng.	399½
Do. Pref.	51	Bk.of Mont'l.	45½
Do. Rd.		Barclay's A...	10
Do.	76½	Lloyds	49/0
Do.4% '23	37	Martins	7⅜
L.N.W. Ord	2¾	Midland ...	8 5/16
Do.	1½ −⅛	Nat. Prov...	39/6
Do. Pref.	33½	Stand. &A...	12¾
Do. 2½ Pf.	31¼	Westminster	69/6
L.P.T. 5%	115	Do.£4.£'5	72/6
Do. 4% A	109	Alliance New	18
Do.	103	Ldn. & Lan.	22½
Do.	33	Pearl	13¼
Sth. Pfd.	46	Phoenix 10	9⅜
Do. Ord.	10½	Prudential..	20
Do. Pref.	92½	Do "B"	65/6
Ar.Gt.W.		R. Exchange	74
Deb.	21	Royal	7⅝
B.A.M.S.		Sun. Life ...	5½
Deb.	39	Yorkshire ...	6

OILS.

A. Ecu.	18/0*	Lobitos	31/3
A. Iran.	36/3	Lo.don and	
Do. 8%		Thames H.	2/6
Pref.	26/0	Mex. Eagle.	6/6 +0/3
Do. 5%		Phoenix ...	1/6
Pref.	26/0	Royal Dutch	19
Apex (Tr)	25/0	Shell	1 15/16
Attock ..	34/4½	Trinidad L.	3
Burmah	2 3/32	Do.Pet.Dv.	49/0
Cyn. Eag.	8/0	V.O.C. Hlds.	1⅛
Kern Oil.	3/4½		

RUBBERS.

Allagar ..	0/9	Lon. Asiatic	3/3
Alli. Sim.	10/3	Malacca ..	12/6
Anglo-Dut	17/3	Mayayala..	28/9
A. Java ..	0/6	Mer.mnu P.	2/7½
Anglo-Mal.	6/10½	Orient Trust	11/3
Batu Tiga	28/9	Pataling ...	28/9
Bukit Mer	2/4	Rambutan...	1/4½
Cent. Pera	1/7½	Rubber Tst.	26/0
Chersonese	1/4½	Sedenak ...	21/10½
Chevlot ...	3/0	S. Sipot...	2/4½
Cicely	2/4½	Taiping	1/1⅛
Djas.upa ..	0/0	Taudieng...	13/0
Gld. Hope..	5/0	Do. Malim	9/4½
Grand Cent.	0/7½	Telegoredjo.	9/3 +0/3
Highlands..	3/0	U.Sua Bet'ng	46/3
Java Amal.	8/9	Un. Sum. 1/	0/7½
Jugra Lands	8/9	Vallambrosa	6/3
Kuala Lumr.	5/7½	Yarn Seng..	2/0

INDUSTRIALS, ETC.

Allied Iron.	2/4½	Fine Spin...	3/9
Austin.	(5/-)/9	Galiaher ...	4½
Allied News.	3/0	Gamage ...	⅜
Assoc. Ind.	7/3	Godfrey P...	1¼
Atrated B.	1/9	Guest Keen	22/4½
Assd Cement.	5¾	Guinness ...	71/6 +0/6
Assd.Br.Pic.	9/0	Gent. Elec..	77/6 −0/3
Assoc. Elec.	2/0	Home & Col.	3/0
Babcock&W.	6	Harrods ...	28/6
Baldwins ...	6	Hadfields ...	21/9
Bolsover Col.	3	Hudson's B.	22/6
Brown (J.)	6	Hawker Sid.	14/7½ +0/1½
B.S.A.	6	Harland&W.	10/4½
Boulton & P.	10½ +0/3	Henley's Tel.	19/9
Bristol Aero.	9	Internat. Tea	11/6*
Bovril. Def.	6	Imp. Tobac.	5
Bleachers...	9	Do. Canada	3
Brad. Dyers	10½	Imp. Chem.	29/10½ +0/1½
Br. Celanese	3	Imp. Smelting	9/6
Do. 2nd Pf.	9	Int. Combus.	4⅛
Br. Am. Tob.	5/32	Int. Nickel.	40⅞
Beechams...	3	Ind Coope...	68/0
Do. Def.	6	Jessos & Pb	45/0 −0/3
Boots Drug.	3⅜	Leyland ...	11/3
Boraz Def.	2½	Lyons (J.)...	3⅝ +1/32
Braz. Trac.		Lister	4/4
Brit. Alcan.	4½	Lever & Un	23/6 −0/3
Brit. Match	3½	Do. (P.P.)	3¼
Brit.Oil Cake	3⅜	Do. 7% Pf.	1 3/16
Brit. Oxygen	6⅜	Lever K.V.	15/0
Br. P. Pistr.	8⅛	London Brk.	42/6
Br. P. Cem.	1	Lancashire.	1 3/32
Br. P. & L.	2⅛	Metrop. Am.	32/6
Bass Ratcliff	1½ +0/9	Mitchell & B	63/6
Br. of Van	1⅛	Morris	24/6 +0/1½
Barton ...	8	Maypole Def	1/7½
Br. Insuld..	83	Marconi ..	19/6
Courage Bw	46	Marex	78/9
Cammell Ld	6	Marks & S.	35/7½ −0/1½
Colvilles ...	19½	Oriental Tel	2⅜
Consett Iron	6	C.W. Bzs. A	24/4½
Cory (Wm.)	72 +0/9	Do. B	9/9
Clan Line..	4	Powell Duff	11/9
Const Lines.	5/7	Pressed Steel	15/0
Can.A.W.Ord	57	P. & O. Def.	21/1½ +0/3
'00.5% Pf.	93 +¼	Patons & B.	49/0
Do. 4% Fd	99½	Do.	10
Calico Print	4⅛	Ruston & H.	23/9
Can. Celan.	5⅛	Rolls Royce	3⅛ +1/32
Coats	29/4	Reckitt	41/3
Courtaulds..	31/10 +0/1½	Sc. Brews..	99/6
Carreras A.	4	Sth. Durham	19/4½
Do. B	10/3	Staveley	42/6
Cerebos ..	8½	Stew & L. Df.	41/6 +0/3
Crittal Mfg.	5/3	Sugar Pile	24/0 +0/6
City of Lond	5/6	Standard...	11½
Co. of Lond	33/0	Sun. Pictorial	14/0
Callenders...	2⅜	Scribbans ..	6/1½
Crom.Park'n	1/6	Schweppes ..	28/9
Dorman Long	17½	Spillers	56/9
De Havilland	27/6	Sirrens	18/0
Dunlop Rub	32/6	Thomas (R.)	3/6
Distillers ..	65/6 +0/9	Tilling (T.)	39/9
Dly. Mail Tst	15/3	Tob.Secs.Tst	2⅜
Eastwoods...	24/6	Tate & Lyle	46/6
E. & Mus. Ind	7/9	Triplex Glass	18/10½ +0/3
English Elec.	28/8	Tuos Invest.	15/-
Eng. Cotton	27/3	Turner & N.	36/0
Edmundsons	23/6	Utd. Steel...	21/10½
E. Rdy. G.B.	25/6	Utd. South..	4⅛
Firth Brown	5⅛	U. Molasses	23/1½
Forestal Ld	22/6	Vickers	15/3 +0/1½
Fairey Avn	13/10½	Wall Pp. D.	1 3/32
Ford	16/9	Wm Tc'kins	1 7/32
Finlay (J.).	48/6	Watney Def.	44/0 −0/3
Furness W.	18/10½ 0/3	Woolworth's	53/10½ +0/1½

MINING SHARES.

Ang.-Amer.	32/6	Mariv	5/7½
Ariston.....	6/4½	Marievale...	16/3
Ashanti.....	46/10½	Modder.....	20/0
Amal. Bnk.	4/9	Do. East...	4 1/8
Bibiani.....	16/6	New State A	1/3
Bisichi	6/7½	Nigel	2⅝
Bkn.H.Prop.	1⅜	Nourse	2⅝
Do. South.	2/0 9	Palmietkuil.	3/6
Blyvoor	7/3	Petaling	2/9
Brakpan	43/9	Rand Mines	21/9
C. Mining..	10½	Rand Selec..	16/0
Cam. & Mtr	1⅜	Randfin. Est	37/6
Chartered...	18/0	Reiss de ...	7/8
City Deep...	2⅜	Rhe. Eng. A.	14/6
Cons Af.Sel.	8/3	Rhod. Sel...	11/0
Cons. G.F.	1 11/16	Rhokana ...	7¾
Cons M R.	3 7/16	Rio Tinto...	7
Cons M Sel	15/0	Roan Antel	18/9
Crown	12⅞	S.A. Deep B	2 21/32
Daggafontein.	2	Rose Deep.	2¼
De Beers ..	4⅞	Kaiserfi.	
Do. Pref...	7⅛	Selec. Trust	10/3
Durban Dp.	2 15/16	Simmer & J	19/6
East Dagga.	1 29/32	S.A. Land..	95/0
East Geduld	10	S.W. Africa.	1 1/16
E.Rand Prp.	45/7½	Springs.....	24/4½
G.C. Selec..	10/9	Sub Nigel..	8
G. Bld. Prop	4/6	Taquah & A	18/9
Geduld.....	7⅛	Tronoh	23/9
Gel'sen Dp	25/0	Union Corp.	6½
Gen. Mining	71/3	Un. D.Cre..	23/6
Govt. Areas	32/6	Van Ryn ...	2⅞
Grootvlei ...	4½	Do. Deep..	30/7½
Ipoh	1⅞	Venterspost.	2
J'burg Cons	33/9	Vereeniging	7/9
Kamunting..	7/9	Vic. Falls...	3½
Kleinf'tein..	2⅜	Wankie Col.	14/4½
Krampat P.	8/1½	Witfontein..	2
Libanon	8/9	Witw'tsrsl..	1⅜
Lake V. & S.	19/7½	West Rand..	1⅛
Langlaagte.	8/9	Western Rfs.	22/6
Ldn. & Rhd	2/9	Do. Spfgs..	27/6
London Tin.	3/4½	West Wit. A	63/9
Lolmards V.	19/0	Do. Deep...	7⅛
Malayan ..	31/3	Williams....	5/0

LONDON MONEY MARKET

As is usual on the last day of the old year, there was a tremendous turnover in Lombard street yesterday on account of dividends and interest which included several millions in the shape of interest on British Government Securities. Calls up to a large amount also fell due. The Discount Market was easy. Gold was unaltered at 168/- per fine oz. and silver firm, the spot and forward delivery being fixed at 25⅝d. and 23¼d. per oz.

Centre	Dec. 31 Closing Rates		Dec. 30 Closing Rates		Parity before 9/9/39
New York*	4.02½	4.03⅛	4 2/32	4.03⅛	4.86½
Montreal*	4.43	4.47	4.43	4.47	4.86½
Geneva* ..	17.30	17.40	17.30	17.40	25.22
Madrid.....		37.25 sellers		37.25 sellers	25.22
Stockholm*	16.85	16.95	16.85	16.95	18.15
Alexandria	97⅝	97⅝	97⅝	97⅝	97.5
Athens.....		516 sellers		515 sellers	375
Helsingf's	190	210	190	210	193.2
Lisbon* ..	99.80	100.20	99.80	100.20	110
B. Ayres*	16.90	17.13	16.90	17.13	11.45
Lima		nom.		nom.	17.38
M'video....		nom.		nom.	51 1/16
Rio de Jan.		nom.		nom.	5.39
Valparaiso		nom.		nom.	40
Calcutta....	17 5/32	18 1/32	17 5/32	18 1/32	78
Hongkong	14⅞	15⅛	14⅞	15⅛	
Kobe(p.y.)	13⅞	14⅜	13⅞	14⅜	42.583
Shanghai..	2 5/32	2 9/32	2 5/32	2 9/32	
Singapore	23 1/32	23 5/32	23 1/32	23 5/32	234

*Rates fixed by Bank of England. All others are free market rates.

FINANCIAL NOTES

YIELDS FROM IRON AND STEELS

The fortunes of the Iron Coal and Steel companies in these war days are being watched with close attention. Some of the companies have disappointed their shareholders in recent dividend declarations; others have done quite as well as was expected. In the list of companies engaged in this industry there are to be found shares offering a high yield on the money, accompanied, of course, by corresponding risks. For thos. peopl who are willing to face the speculative element which obtains in such investments, in order to receive a substantial return on the money, here is a short selection of shares in this market. It must be added that in some cases a scarcity prevails; to the would-be buyer of shares in any particular company it might be suggested that, in sending any order, he should give an alternative choice.

Company.	Last dividend. %	Price. £ s. d.	Yield. £ s. d.
Wm. Beardmore Ord.	10	18 9	10 13 4
Burnell & Co.	25	11 3	11 2 2
Dunswart Iron & Steel	14	27 6	10 3 8
Gloucester Rail & Carriage	10	19 9	10 2 6
Hadfields	22½	22 3	10 2 3
Pease & Partners.	10	10 0	10 0 0
Projectile and Engineering	22½	20 6	10 19 6
Rawlplug	40	£4½	8 8 6
Ruston & Hornsby	12½	24 6	10 4 0
Swan Hunter	15	28 6	10 10 6

The dividends, it need hardly be said, are subject to variation. The prices are approximately those which a buyer may have to give in to-day's market.

Cement Meeting Adjourned

At the annual general meeting of Cement, Ltd., yesterday, in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, the Chairman, Mr. C. M. O'Kelly, announced that, owing to the present emergency conditions, it had not been found possible to complete the company's accounts in time to present them at the meeting. He proposed that the meeting be adjourned to a date in the second half of January, of which notice would be given. The resolution was agreed to, on the proposal being seconded by Dr. L. T. Kettle. An apology for absence was read from Mr. N. M. Jensen, chairman of the company.

Oils and Rubbers in 1940

Throughout 1940 business in Oil Shares was on an extremely small scale, reflecting in the main conditions prevailing in the industry. In fact, it was demonstrated clearly that oil operations cannot be conducted profitably during war-time, but that the industry can only flourish under peace conditions, when demand for the various products expands with general industrial activity. In the circumstances it was only natural that, with some selling by nervous holders and virtually no demand, prices of leading Oil Shares should decline. Quotations reached their lowest points about the middle of the year. In the closing weeks of the year a good recovery was witnessed, due mainly to the fact that prospects were regarded more hopefully and that buyers found the market short of stock. Nevertheless, prices mostly show declines on the year.

The ramifications of the war have brought the rubber industry the reasonably prosperous conditions that proved so elusive in peacetime, and it can be said that, despite increasing costs and the growing burden of taxation, the year 1940 has proved fruitful for rubber producers and shareholders. And the industry enters 1941 working to capacity with medium-term prospects more promising than for a very considerable time previously.

How British Rails Fared

Boomlike conditions prevailed in the British Railway market in the early months of 1940 in anticipation of the Government's White Paper giving the terms of compensation for the use of the railways. Although a remarkable rise had occurred before the actual terms were announced, the movement continued uninterrupted afterwards. The market showed its approval of the scheme in no uncertain manner, and the advance was given a fresh impetus by the very satisfactory final dividend statements. The interim declarations were also up to the best expectations. Political influences naturally affected sentiment from time to time, and uncertainty as to how the companies would fare in the event of air raid damage exceeding the £10,000,000 provided for under the Government scheme checked interest for a period. Recoveries were inspired by the decisions to increase fares and charges in order to meet rising expenditure. Senior stocks were prominent with Gilt-edged securities in the later months owing, of course, to the attractive yields obtainable and the scarcity of high-class investments.

Overseas Issues

Overseas Rails displayed very little of interest throughout the past year. Hopes that the turn of the year in July would see an improvement in Argentine traffics were doomed to disappointment. Canadian Pacific stocks responded to the good improvement in the traffic position and the announcement of the full dividend on the 4 per cent. Preference. Dealings in the Common were suspended by order of the Treasury from June until mid-December. When the ban was lifted the price was quickly advanced in accordance with the quotations ruling for both the Preference and Debenture stocks.

Legal Tender Note Fund

The amount of legal tender notes outstanding on December 28 was £15,213,295, as compared with £15,376,987 10s. on December 21. The amount issued during the week was £67,013 10s. and the amount redeemed £230,707.

DUBLIN BANKS' CLEARING

	1940. £	1940. £	1939. £	Difference. £
July 6	7,920,300	8,789,200		−869,000
,, 13	6,161,800	5,221,600		+940,200
,, 20	6,066,700	4,952,200		+1,114,500
,, 27	5,911,400	4,979,900		+931,500
Aug. 3	5,313,300	5,602,800		+310,400
,, 10	4,814,800	4,485,300		+329,500
,, 17	5,725,700	5,183,800		+542,900
,, 24	5,950,200	4,898,900		+1,051,300
,, 31	5,593,600	5,897,600		−304,000
Sept. 7	5,750,900	5,499,400		+251,500
,, 14	5,355,900	4,991,600		+364,300
,, 21	6,104,700	5,295,300		+809,400
,, 28	5,523,800	5,749,800		−226,000
Oct. 5	7,741,900	7,805,700		−63,800
,, 12	6,080,600	7,607,600		−1,527,000
,, 19	6,109,900	6,038,000		+71,900
,, 26	5,907,600	5,455,400		+452,200
Nov. 2	6,226,800	6,752,800		−526,000
,, 9	6,106,500	5,361,100		+745,400
,, 16	5,965,700	5,436,200		+529,500
,, 23	5,743,100	6,280,800		−537,700
,, 30	5,954,000	5,963,600		−9,600
Dec. 7	6,515,500	5,775,400		+839,900
,, 14	6,140,900	6,295,600		−155,600
,, 21	6,641,300	5,999,600		+318,500
,, 28	5,889,200	4,408,600		+519,400
26 weeks	155,715,800	151,687,800		+4,028,000
To June 29	157,013,000	161,926,000		−4,913,000
52 weeks	312,728,800	313,613,800		−885,000

DROP OF £62,000,000 IN NEW ISSUES

Treasury control and war-time conditions are responsible for a drop of over £62,000,000 in new capital issues in the United Kingdom in 1940, compared with 1939. Statistics compiled by the Midland Bank give the total for 1940 as £4,096,000—the lowest ever shown in the statistics, which go back to 1919.

In 1939 the figure was £66,204,000. The figures exclude all borrowings by the British Government.

RISING REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

WHAT IRISH EXCHEQUER RETURN SHOWS

BIG INCREASE IN YIELD OF CUSTOMS DUTIES

BOTH revenue and expenditure for the first nine months of the financial year were considerably higher than for the corresponding period of 1939, according to the Irish Exchequer return, issued by the Minister for Finance last night. The total revenue for the nine months ended yesterday was £22,717,827, or an increase of £1,892,522 over last year. The expenditure at £26,319,284 showed an increase of £1,937,202.

It will be seen that the expenditure exceeded the revenue and that the deficit was £3,601,457, a figure greater by £44,680 than the deficit at the end of the first nine months of last year.

The comparative figures are:—

REVENUE.		EXPENDITURE.	
1940 ...	£22,717,827	1940 ...	£26,319,284
1939 ...	20,825,305	1939 ...	24,382,082
Higher	£1,892,522	More	£1,937,202

During the last ten days of December the revenue amounted to £585,271, and expenditure to £3,048,620, as compared with £881,916 revenue and £3,036,450 expenditure in the last fourteen days of December, 1939.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS SOARING

An outsanding feature on the revenue side is an increase of £1,235,000 to £9,609,000 in Customs duties. There was an increase of £756,000 in receipts from income tax, but Corporation profits tax showed a decrease. Stamps yielded £402,000, a fall of £204,000, while Post Office receipts, at £1,495,000, were down by £70,000.

On the expenditure side Supply Services, which at this time last year were up by £771,943, are now higher by £1,881,294.

INCREASES AND DECREASES

The annexed table shows the increases and decreases in the various items of revenue:—

REVENUE.	£	£
Customs	9,609,000	+1,235,000
Excise	4,820,000	+ 5,000
Motor Tax	437,000	+ 1,000
Estate Duty	1,028,000	+ 306,000
Stamps	402,000	− 204,000
Income Tax	2,600,000	+ 756,000
Corporation Tax ...	243,000	− 44,000
Excess Profits	25,000	+ 3,000
Post Office	1,495,000	− 70,000
Land Annuities, etc.	891,779	− 35,845
Other Receipts	1,167,048	− 59,633
Total	22,717,827	+1,892,522
EXPENDITURE.		
Central Fund	3,527,554	+ 55,908
Supply Services	22,791,730	+1,881,294
Total	26,319,284	+1,937,202

REVENUE AND ESTIMATES

The following are details of the revenue to date and the Finance Minister's estimate, which are, of course, for the twelve months:—

	Revenue. £	Estimate. £
Customs	9,609,000	11,144,000
Excise	4,820,000	6,579,000
Motor Tax	437,000	1,000,000
Estate Duty	1,028,000	1,230,000
Stamps	402,000	500,000
Income Tax	2,600,000	5,650,000
Corporation Tax ...	243,000	550,000
Excess Profits	25,000	25,000

EXCHEQUER BALANCE

Among other receipts are £40,000 by expenditure under Telephone Capital Acts, £42,000 by Savings Certificates, and £500,000 by Ways and Means Advances. The sum of £48,000 in Savings Certificates was paid off. The balance in the Exchequer on 31st December, 1940, was £209,591, compared with £154,281 on the 30th December, 1939, and £3,622,659 on 1st April, 1940.

BRITAIN'S FINANCIAL POSITION

TREASURY RETURNS FOR NINE MONTHS

British Treasury returns issued last night show that total ordinary revenue for the first nine months of the financial year is £752,418,136, against £544,474,103 for the same time last year—a net increase of £207,944,033. This is partly due to the new taxation, including the Purchase Tax, which Sir Kingsley Wood introduced in his Emergency Budget last July, and which is estimated to yield an extra £125,000,000 in a full year.

Total ordinary expenditure for the last nine months has been £2,708,063,346. At this time last year it was £858,835,463. Expenditure during the full financial year ending on March 31 next is est

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

GAIETY THEATRE.
8 — ONCE NIGHTLY — 8
MATINEES TO-DAY AND SATURDAY, 2.30.
GRAND XMAS PANTOMIME.
JIMMY O'DEA in
"BABES IN THE WOOD,"
By HARRY O'DONOVAN.
REDUCED PRICES FOR CHILDREN AT MATINEES.
BOOKING DAILY, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

OLYMPIA THEATRE.
6.40 ..... TWICE NIGHTLY ..... 9.
MATINEE EACH SATURDAY at 2.30.
"ALI BABA AND THE 40 THIEVES."
A 200% LAUGHTER SHOW.
A 100% PANTOMIME.
WITH
FRANK O'DONOVAN.
OVER 60 PERFORMERS.
BOOK EARLY. BOX OFFICE OPEN 10.30 to 6 p.m.

ABBEY THEATRE.
AT 8.15:
FOURTH WEEK OF "STRANGE GUEST,"
By FRANCIS STUART.
Box Office: 10.30 to 6.0 'Phone: 44505.

GATE EDWARDS-MacLIAMMOIR.
NIGHTLY at 8. MATINEE SATURDAY 2.30.
"SNAPDRAGON."
A CHRISTMAS PARTY.
Box Office, 10.30—7. 'Phone—44045.

PEACOCK THEATRE.
MISS DOREEN CUTHBERT
PRESENTS HER PUPILS IN
"DREAM FAIRIES,"
A Play in One Act. Also
THE PRINCESS AND THE HAG,
A Mime Ballet.
On 2nd, 3rd, 4th JANUARY, 1941 at 8 o'clock.

METROPOLE TO-DAY, AT 2.40, 5 o'c., 7.15, 9.30.
JACK OAKIE, SHIRLEY TEMPLE, CHARLOTTE GREENWOOD, in
"YOUNG PEOPLE."
ALSO
"ALADDIN AND HIS WONDERFUL LAMP."
IN TECHNICOLOUR.

GRAFTON Continuous from 2 to 11. To-day at 2.25,4.40,6.50,9.5.
JEANETTE MacDONALD—NELSON EDDY in
"NEW MOON,"
The Delightful Musical Romance.

CORINTHIAN.
Walter Brennan, Fay Bainter, Brenda Joyce, John Payne,
"MARYLAND," in Glorious Technicolour.
At 2.45, 5.0, 7.15, 9.30.

THEATRE DE LUXE.
Dublin's Super Cinema - 3.30-11.0...Camden Street.
JACK HULBERT and CICELY COURTNEIDGE, in "UNDER YOUR HAT." At 4.44, 7.14, 9.44.
Also "LAUGHING AT DANGER."

QUEEN'S. 2.30, 5.15, 8.15.
"RED RIDING HOOD."
Kiddies Matinee, 9d., 6d., 4d.
Adults 1/6, 1/4, 1/-, 8d. Box Seats 3/-

ASTORIA Dun Laoghaire (Glasthule).
Continuous, 3 to 10.30 p.m.
Louis Hayward, Tom Brown, Joan Fontaine,
"THE DUKE OF WESTPOINT."
To-Morrow (Thursday): Harry K. Barnes, Sophie Stewart, "Return of the Scarlet Pimpernel."

NAAS HARRIER HUNT BALL.
MAJOR WATT'S FAMOUS UNITED HUNT BAND
TO-NIGHT,
NEW HALL, NEWBRIDGE.
MRS. LAWLOR AND SON CATERERS.
SUBSCRIPTION (including Supper and Tax), 15/-.
DANCING 10-4.
Right of Admission Reserved.
BUS SERVICE, DUBLIN and KILDARE.

THEATRE ROYAL.
RETAINED BY PUBLIC DEMAND.
FIRST PANTOMIME SPECTACLE
"MOTHER HUBBARD GOES TO TOWN."
150 Unsurpassable Scenes.
150 of Ireland's Greatest Stars.
200 Minutes of Joyous Entertainment.
The Year's Funniest Film Feature!
EDGAR KENNEDY, ROBT. ARMSTRONG in
"THE BRIDE WORE CRUTCHES."
Film at 2 o'c., 5.5, 8.20. Show at 2.40, 5.50, 9.15.

REGAL ROOMS CINEMA. At 2.29, 4.46, 7.3, 9.20.
ROBERT MONTGOMERY, CONSTANCE CUMMINGS, LESLIE BANKS, SIR SEYMOUR HICKS, in
"BUSMAN'S HONEYMOON."

SAVOY Book Now for 8.30 Show Sunday.
A HAPPIER NEW YEAR WILL BE YOURS WHEN YOU SEE
DEANNA DURBIN, in
"SPRING PARADE."
RETAINED FOR SECOND GREAT WEEK.
At 2.40, 4.55, 7.15, 9.30.

CAPITOL IDEAL HOLIDAY ENTERTAINMENT.
LEON ERROL in "POP ALWAYS PAYS." LEE TRACY in "MILLIONAIRES IN PRISON."
At 3.7, 5.21, 7.35, 9.49. At 2, 4.14, 6.28, 8.42.
FRIDAY NEXT:
RONALD COLMAN; GINGER ROGERS in "LUCKY PARTNERS."

ASTOR TO-DAY at 2.42, 4.59, 7.16, 9.33.
WILLIAM POWELL, LUISE RAINER, in "ESCAPADE."

CARLTON Showing at 2.55, 5.10, 7.25, 9.35.
LAST DAY.
FORMBY'S "KEEP FIT."
N.B.—TO-MORROW (THURSDAY).
Dynamic Story of Uncanted Women,
"GIRLS OF THE ROAD."
ANN DVORAK, LOLA LANE, HELEN MACK, and GORDON HARKER, in
"SALOON BAR."
A GREAT PLAY—A SUPER FILM!

THE GREEN 2.0 TO 11 P.M. CONTINUOUS.
WILLIAM POWELL, MARGARET LINDSAY.
"PRIVATE DETECTIVE 62."
Also IRENE DUNNE: "SWEET ADELEINE."

REGENT CINEMA, BLACKROCK.
ALICE FAYE in "LITTLE OLD NEW YORK."
Thursday: "PASSPORT TO FAME."

ADELPHI SHOWING at 2.15, 4.30, 6.45, 9 o'c.
JOEL McCREA, in
"FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT."
With LARAINE DAY, HERBERT MARSHALL, GEORGE SANDERS.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

CONTROL OF IMPORTS ACTS, 1934 & 1937.

Orders under the above Acts have been made by the Government appointing the under-mentioned Quotas:—

For the Quota Period 1st February, 1941, to 31st July, 1941:

Goods:	Quota.
Cotton Piece Goods: Sheeting, Ticking, Dungaree Cloth and Plain Shirting and Pyjama Cloth ("Order No. 39.)	150,000 sq. yards
Shirting and Pyjama Cloth, with woven pattern in colour ("Order No. 41.)	400,000 sq. yards
Other than Terry and the kinds described above ("Order No. 42.)	20,000,000 sq. yards

For the Quota Period 1st February, 1941, to 30th April, 1941:

Cotton Piece Goods: Terry ("Order No. 40.)	90,000 sq. yards

These Orders will be on sale in due course, and may be purchased from the Government Publications Sale Office 3/4 College street Dublin; or through any bookseller.

Department of Industry and Commerce,
1st January, 1941.
14/B.1304. W.H.Co.

INCOME TAX.

Notice is hereby given that Mr. H. H. Harrison, 58 Dame street, Dublin, has ceased to act as Collector of Income Tax, and the following appointments have been made, viz.:—

(a) Mr. T. J. Williams, 26 Mary street, Dublin, has been appointed Collector of Income Tax (Schedules A, B, D and E) for Merchant's Quay Ward, in the County Borough of Dublin, for the year 1940/41. Mr. Williams has also been appointed to collect the arrears of Income Tax, and will continue to act as Collector of Taxes for the Pembroke and Simmonscourt Wards.

(b) Mrs. Sheila G. Young, 58 Dame street, Dublin, has been appointed Collector of Income Tax (Schedules A, B, D and E) for the District Electoral Divisions of Clondalkin, Palmerstown Rathfarnham, Tallaght, Terenure, and Whitechurch, in the Administrative County of Dublin, and for Terenure and Rathfarnham Wards, in the County Borough of Dublin, for the year 1940/41. Mrs. Young has also been appointed to collect the arrears for previous years.

REVENUE COMMISSIONERS.
14/B. 1304 W.H.Co.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN.

CREATION OF STOCK.

Pursuant to the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890, and the Regulations made thereunder, Notice is hereby given that the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Dublin, acting by the Dublin City Council, at a specially convened meeting held on Tuesday, 31st December, 1940, adopted the following resolution:—

"That, under the authority, and subject to the conditions of Part 5 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890, the Urban Stock Regulations, 1892 to 1922, the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, dated 18th December, 1940 (No. H. 29922/1940, Dublin, C.B.), to the borrowing of £500,000, and the consent Order of the said Minister, entitled the Dublin County Borough (Stock) Order, 1940, authorising the exercise of the borrowing powers of the City Corporation in respect of £500,000, together with the necessary expenses of the Stock Issue, by the creation and issue of Stock, we do hereby create Stock to be called "Dublin Corporation 4½% Redeemable Stock, 1955/77," to be issued to an amount to yield £500,000, plus expenses.

"That such Stock shall be issued at par, and shall bear interest at the rate of four and a quarter per centum per annum, payable half-yearly on 1st January and 1st July.

"That such Stock shall be redeemable at par on 1st January, 1977, the Corporation having the option of redemption at par in whole or in part on or after 1st January, 1955, on giving three months' notice, and shall be transferable in books and not by deed.

"That an agreement be entered into with the Revenue Commissioners in Eire for payment of a composition for stamp duty on transfers of the Stock to be issued under this Resolution."

P. J. HERNON,
City Manager and Town Clerk.
Office of the City Manager and Town Clerk,
City Hall, Dublin, 31st December, 1940.

THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, LOWER [illegible] STREET.
A SERVICE OF HEA[illegible]G
Will be held This (Wednesday) A[illegible]

THE BEST W[illegible]

PUBLIC NOTICES.

DUBLIN PILOTAGE AUTHORITY.

The Dublin Port and Docks Board, as the Pilotage Authority, is prepared to receive Applications for the Position of Pilot in the Dublin Pilotage Service.

An applicant must possess the following qualifications:—

(a) That he is not more than 40 years of age at the time of licence being granted to him;

(b) That he was born in Ireland of Irish parents, or is the son of such persons, or that he is a citizen of Eire or the son of citizens of Eire;

(c) A recognised Certificate of Competency as Master or Mate.

The attention of intending applicants is also drawn to the additional essential qualifications as set out in the Pilotage Bye Laws 4 and 5 of the Dublin Pilotage District.

Applications in writing, together with copies of references as to character and services, should, in the first instance, be forwarded so as to reach the Secretary, Dublin Port and Docks Board, Dublin, not later than 24th January, 1941.

By Order,
R. F. LOWE, Secretary.
Port and Docks Office,
19 Westmoreland street, Dublin,
1st January, 1941.

TO EXPORTERS, SHIPOWNERS AND SHIPPING AGENTS.
THE NAVICERT SYSTEM.

As from 22nd January, 1941, it will be necessary for exporters in Eire to obtain Navicerts for shipments to the following countries:—Sweden, Finland, Switzerland, Roumania, Hungary, Yugo-Slavia, Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey, U.S.S.R., Spain (which includes the Balearic Isles), Spanish and Portuguese Atlantic Islands, Portuguese Guinea, Liberia, French West Africa (which includes Mauritania, Senegal, French Guinea, Ivory Coast and Dahomey), Syria, Madagascar and Reunion.

For the benefit of exporters and others who are not familiar with the operation of the system, a Navicert may be explained as a form of commercial passport, which will eliminate possible delays in the passage of the goods it carries through the British Contraband Control. Intending exporters will be able to apply to the United Kingdom Trade Commissioner, 69 Merrion square, Dublin, on special forms obtainable from the Trade Commissioner's Office, and if the intended consignment is approved by the United Kingdom Ministry of Economic Warfare, a Navicert will be granted.

The Navicert must be carried in the same ship as the goods to which it relates, and it will, save in exceptional circumstances, ensure favourable treatment by the British Naval Patrols. Any goods not covered by Navicerts are liable to seizure as contraband.

Ships proceeding direct from Eire to any of the above-named countries must obtain a Ship Navicerts at the last port of loading in Eire. The Ship Navicert is issued to the Master of his ship if all items of cargo aboard are covered by Navicerts; if passengers or mails are carried special arrangements must be made. Applications for Ship Navicerts in Eire should be made by the representatives of the shipping company or the Master of the ship to the United Kingdom Trade Commissioner.

Any ship sailing direct to one of the above-named countries without a Ship Navicert is liable to seizure, with any items of cargo which are not covered by individual Navicerts.

Applications, both for Navicerts and Ship Navicerts should be made as far in advance as possible. In the case of Navicerts it is advisable that the application should precede the proposed date of shipment by at least 14 days.

Where a ship carries cargo for one of the above-named countries, but intends to call at the United Kingdom, no Ship Navicert will be required.

G. F. BRADDOCK,
UNITED KINGDOM TRADE COMMISSIONER.
K.A.A.

TENDERS INVITED
FOR PURCHASE AND REMOVAL FOR ONE YEAR OF APPROXIMATELY
500 TONS OF MANURE
FROM STABLES AND LAIRAGES.
Replies to:—
BRITISH & IRISH STEAM PACKET CO., LTD.,
NORTH WALL HOUSE,
DUBLIN.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
A DAY OF PRAYER
To seek God's Blessing on the Work of the C.M.S. throughout the New Year
Will be held in
ST. ANN'S CHURCH,
DAWSON STREET, DUBLIN,
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), JANUARY 2nd,
11.30 a.m., Celebration of the Holy Communion.
Preacher: Rev. W. C. de FAULEY, D.D.
CONTINUOUS INTERCESSION
will be made in the church during the day.
CONDUCTED INTERCESSION at 2.30, 4 and 5.

25 YEARS AGO

From the *Irish Times*, 1st January, 1916.

New Year Honours List.

The King has been pleased to bestow a Number of Honours on the occasion of the New Year. The Prime Minister's list is of more than usual interest. The Duke of Devonshire and Earl Curzon receive the Order of the Garter, Lord Mersey has a step in the Peerage, there are six Barons, of whom Lord Charles Beresford is one; and Mr. Will Crooks is included amongst six new Privy Councillors.

There are also three Irish Privy Councillors (General Friend, Mr. Walter Kavanagh, and Mr. R. Thompson, M.P.); thirteen Baronetcies, one for the Lord Chancellor of Ireland; twenty-eight Knighthoods, including the Lord Mayor of Cork, the High Sheriff of Dublin and Mr. F. E. Kearney, of Limerick.

Ireland and Compulsion.

In a leading article, the *Daily Chronicle* says:—The consequences of the Compulsion Bill for national unity depend very much upon how questions like that of Ireland are handled. The natural thing is to leave Ireland out, as she did not come under the [illegible] scheme, and throughout her recruiting arrangements the fact has had to be re[illegible] that her economic, as well as her [illegible]ions are quite special.

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The Irish Times

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1941.

A New Year

As we write, the bells of Dublin are bidding farewell to a year that has brought almost unparalleled calamity to the human race. Twelve months ago, although Europe was at war, the average man and woman on the Continent, as well as in these islands, had suffered little, if at all. Poland had been conquered in one of the swiftest military campaigns of history. There had been a certain amount of activity at sea, and the British Air Force had been dropping propagandist leaflets over Germany, apparently without let or hindrance. Otherwise, for most practical purposes, the war had hardly any effect on the lives of the common people. It was described in the United States as a "phoney" war; and on last New Year's Day the troops in the Maginot and Siegfried Lines faced one another cheerfully, in the hope, if not the belief, that before twelve months should have passed the whole thing would be over, and they would be able to go back to their families in peace. Then, like a thunderbolt, came the *Blitzkrieg*, with its cataclysmic results. Within a few weeks, first Norway and Denmark, then Holland and Belgium, were wiped off the map. General von Brauchitsch's mighty *Panzerdivisionen* rumbled across the Meuse, outflanking the Maginot Line by a manœuvre that ought to have been obvious from the start. Within a few days all the military text-books had ceased to mean anything. Herr Hitler's High Command tore them up in disdain, and, while the French and British peoples were waiting with confidence for General Weygand's orthodox counter-attack, the German armoured divisions swept across the North of France to Boulogne and Calais, surrounding the British Army by a series of brilliant tactical *coups*, while the Belgians laid down their arms, and the proud French Army suffered the greatest rout of all time. Germany's first check came when the British Navy contrived to evacuate some three hundred thousand soldiers from Dunkirk. After the defection of the Belgians most people believed that Viscount Gort's small, but efficient, army would be forced to surrender, as the third Napoleon's army had been forced to surrender at Sédan; but, for some inexplicable reason, Marshal Goering's *Luftwaffe* failed, or was unable, to take advantage of its opportunities over the Dunkirk beaches, and the British Army escaped almost intact, leaving most of its equipment behind it. Since those fateful days much has happened. France collapsed almost without warning, enabling the Germans to take possession of the European coast from Narvik to Bordeaux. Since August the German Air Force has been attacking Great Britain, and especially London, without ceasing, and the last few days have seen a violent onslaught on the heart of a city that contains some of Europe's architectural masterpieces. Italy has joined Germany in opposition to the democratic Powers, only to suffer heavy defeats at the hands of the British and the Greeks. Within the space of less than a year the whole face of the civilised world has been changed; and peace seems to be even farther off to-day than it was twelve months ago.

What are the prospects of peace during the year which opens to-day? The most sanguine observer must admit that the outlook is bleak. With the exception of Greece and her own Dominions, Great Britain has been left to face Germany and Italy alone, although she has been assured of increasing material assistance from the United States. In respect of numbers, and weight of war material, she still is inferior to Germany; but the Royal Navy is intact; the Royal Air Force is gaining in strength every day; the army that was withdrawn from Dunkirk has been re-equipped and reinforced, and the civilian population of Great Britain has won the admiration of the world by the way in which it has stood up to the most fearful ordeal to which any nation could be subjected. Italy has suffered heavy losses both in Albania and in North Africa, and her value as an ally of Germany has diminished during the last few months; but Germany herself still is tremendously strong, and, in spite of the British blockade, which is growing more and more intense, she still seems to dispose of colossal resources. In a new year's message to the Nazi Party yesterday, Herr Hitler expressed his renewed belief in Germany's ultimate victory, although the careful reader will miss that note of unswerving confidence which characterised so many of his former utterances. "Up to now," he said, "the Lord God has given His approval to our fight. If we carry out our duty loyally and bravely, He will not desert us in the future." Herr Hitler's speech will be searched in vain for even a hint of peace. The burden of his message is that the democratic Powers must be destroyed. "*Qui mange du Pape en meurt*" runs the old proverb, warning the unwary against attacks on the Roman Catholic Church. "Every Power that eats of democracy will die of it," declares the Fuehrer, but the meaning which he seeks to express is rather different. He accuses the democracies of "profit-seeking and corruption," of "sluggishness and stupidity" on the part of the ruling classes, and asserts that they want a long war, because they regard it as "the greatest business deal." "If the democracies should win," he continues, "the workers would become the victims of all the capitalist cruelty of which those whose only god was gold were capable." "This war," he concluded, "will be waged to the end—namely, until the responsible criminals have been eliminated." Marshal Goering and Dr. Goebbels spoke yesterday in like terms. Apparently, the war will be fought in 1941 with intensified violence. There seems to be no hope of any kind of negotiated settlement; the Germans and the British will continue to attack one another until one side or the other shall be forced to capitulate. It is, indeed, a dreadful prospect for the new year. Already appalling damage has been done. In comparison with the last war, the loss of human life has been small; but, whereas then the suffering was confined in practice to fighting men, now the principal victims are women and children in their own homes. Europe seems to be doomed to self-destruction; for when giants are locked together in death-grips who can hope to escape? Reason is helpless against high explosives. All that one can do is to pray for the miracle that alone can deliver mankind from unending chaos.

Call to Farmers

There is little need to elaborate the gravity of the broadcast which the Minister for Agriculture delivered last night to the farmers of the twenty-six counties. He is not the first Minister—not by any means—to predict discomfort here in Ireland as a result of the great war, but no other has been so downright. "It is quite possible, if not probable," he says, "that within a very short period supplies of imported food may be cut off entirely. . . . If our people are to survive the dangers which lie ahead, all essential foods must be produced at home." Many farmers, no doubt, will grumble that it is one thing to talk about increased production of food, but another thing to produce it; yet we hope and believe that they will take Dr. Ryan's words to heart and will set about the job without further ado. The Minister has not over-stated the gravity of the position. Anybody who uses his imagination to the smallest degree must realise that it is supremely difficult to bring food to Ireland in the circumstances of to-day. There is virtually no neutral shipping that can be chartered by Mr. de Valera's Government; and, even if the shipping existed, the odds against its safety, when once it had entered the "belligerent zone," would be very heavy. President Roosevelt refuses to allow American ships to enter European waters because the risk is too great, and few other neutrals have sufficient ships of their own to disregard his example. Hitherto most of our imported needs have been carried in British vessels, but Britain no longer can afford to be liberal with them. Many of her ships have been sunk, and so many of the survivors are needed to transport munitions of war from America that she has been obliged to place her own people upon short rations. It would be easy to sit down and lament that this country never took the trouble to create a mercantile marine of its own, or that it failed to take this, that or the other precaution. The manlier course is to ascertain what we can do for ourselves—and to do it. To what extent can the twenty-six counties dispense with imported supplies? To what extent can they replace them with home production? To what extent can substitutes be employed? These are the questions which Ireland must answer, and, having answered them, she must get to work.

Wheat is the first necessity. Production, the Minister tells us, has increased within ten years from 20,000 to 300,000 acres; yet half of the nation's requirements still must be imported. He urges every farmer to grow, in the first place, as much wheat as will feed his family, and, in the next place, as much more as he can contrive to grow. Inasmuch as no maize whatsoever can be expected from abroad—this is one of the Minister's gloomiest prognostications—the farmer must grow all his own feeding-stuffs for animals. After wheat, he is urged to concentrate upon potatoes, oats, barley and beet. Lest he should decline to recognise that the country is in danger, the quota of "compulsory tillage" has been enlarged within the last week or so, and the Minister issues a general warning that any farmer who fails to have made sufficient progress with the tilling of 20 *per cent.* of his arable land by the middle of February will have the land taken from him. The business of tillage may not be easy. Ireland has become dependent, to a dangerous degree, upon imported fertilisers, which are unavailable—we must hope, only for the time being—and it will be hard to do without them. Dr. Ryan believes that these fertilisers are less important than they are supposed to be. He points out that Ireland produced twice as many crops a century ago, when artificial manures were unknown, and argues that, even if the yield of wheat is poorer without them, the farmer will be compensated by the better price for his crop. We hope that the experience of the coming months will prove him right. In essence, nobody can dispute the justice and the urgency of the Minister's appeal. In regard to food, we are less badly off, thank Heaven! than many other nations; but severe hardship can be averted only by hard work. The people need bread: wheat must be sown. They need milk and eggs and bacon and butter, as well as meat: the animals, therefore, must be fed, and their feeding-stuffs must be produced here. No acre of arable ground can be overlooked; and in this respect we would call the attention of city readers to his plea for the wider use of allotments. Other necessities than food may be scarce in the very near future, but the most terrible danger will be a shortage of essential foodstuffs. This is not a belligerent country; yet it is subject to many of the rigours of war, and, to all intents and purposes, must be regarded as upon a war footing. To borrow a phrase from the belligerents, our "home front" must buckle to and must work with all its might.

Paying Up

During the past two or three weeks the postal services have been busy dealing with the large number of Christmas cards, letters and parcels which have been passing to and fro. By now almost all of the Christmas post has been delivered, but the postal authorities are by no means free to sit back and rest after a busy period. They must prepare for another equally busy period—the period of bills. This is the time of year when every morning brings its fresh collection of bills. It is difficult at any time to meet these accounts after the extravagant Christmas expenditure; this year, owing to the increased cost of living, it will be doubly difficult to meet them. Belligerent countries must suffer in this respect to a still greater degree than the neutrals. Certainly in London the shopkeepers seem to find it difficult to collect their lawful debts; one tailor has gone to the extent of publishing in the window of his establishment a list of defaulters. This system, though probably effective, undoubtedly is a drastic step to take, and, if it became universal, it would reveal some probably inconvenient, and almost certainly embarrassing, details about one's affairs. According to this list, it appears that Army officers are the worst defaulters; but the reason may be that the college students, artists and other impecunious classes do not happen to buy their clothes in that particular store. America, with its inherent love for statistics and records, has provided us with the only census ever taken of people who pay their bills promptly. About six years ago Professor Paul D. Converse, of Illinois University, issued a report of his investigations in this matter. The results proved, as might be expected, that no class of citizens had a 100 *per cent.* record for prompt payment. Office clerks obtained first place with an average of 92 *per cent.*, and school teachers, anxious to set a good example, followed with 83 *per cent.* Doctors, who should be in a better position to pay their debts than either clerks or teachers, only scored 80 *per cent.*, and it seems as if the amount of money earned has little to do with promptness in the payment of bills; for lawyers, who certainly should be above suspicion, scored only 61 *per cent.* College students, who manage to look affluent on next to nothing, come further down on the list with a percentage of 47, while lowest of all are the painters and decorators with only 38 *per cent.*

COURT AND PERSONAL

Lady Helen Graham has succeeded the Hon. Mrs. Geoffrey Bowlby as Lady-in-Waiting to the Queen.

The Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood made a tour of Sheffield during the week.

The Earl of Sandwich celebrated his sixty-sixth birthday this week.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Papham, the new Commander-in-Chief in the Far East, is making his first tour of inspection of Hong Kong.

Sir Henry Chilton has arrived in Santiago from the Southern provinces of Chile.

Lady Mary Clive (second sister of the Earl of Longford) gave birth to a son at Louth, Lincolnshire, on Monday.

Lord and Lady Dunsany have arrived in Athens.

The Marquess of Headfort has returned to Headfort Castle from Dublin.

The engagement is announced between Martin, younger son of the late Senator Martin FitzGerald, of Ardiles, Dundrum, Co. Dublin, and Mrs. FitzGerald, of Danesfield, Ailesbury road, Dublin, and Rosaleen, younger daughter of the late Andrew F. Dunn and Mrs. Dunn, of Springtown House, Springtown, Londonderry.

The engagement is announced between C. Stanford Drought, M.B.,C.V.S., Belfast, younger son of the late "Stan." Drought and of Mrs. Walthuis, "Silverton," The Hill; Monkstown, Co. Dublin, and Muriel, eldest daughter of the late Charles Farley and of Mrs. Farley, 31 York road, Rathmines, Dublin.

The engagement is announced between A/Captain Hugh N. Price, The Black Watch (R.H.R.), Att. The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, eldest son of the late Rev. G. N. Price and Mrs. Price, of St. Andrews, Fife, and Zoë, younger daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Oliver, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

The engagement is announced between Walter Henry, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Squires, 47 Frankfort avenue, Rathgar, Dublin, and Doreen May, youngest daughter of the late J. T. Allen and Mrs. Allen, Rathdowney, Leix.

The marriage between Fred, only son of Alfred and Mrs. Hodkinson, Belvedere, Dun Laoghaire, and Bride, elder daughter of Richard and Mrs. Blake, Sunnyside, Lakelands Park, Terenure, will take place on February 12th.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE.
CAPTAIN T. H. GIBBON AND MISS B. H. AUSTIN.

The engagement is announced between Captain Thomas Holroyd Gibbon, third son of Lieutenant-Colonel T. H. Gibbon, O.B.E. (late R.A.M.C.), and Mrs. Gibbon, of Linzies-town, Tomhaggard, Co. Wexford, and Barbara Hope, daughter of the late Brigadier-General H. H. Austin, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. (late R.E.), and Mrs. Austin, of 12 Church road, Southborne, Bournemouth.

The Meath Hunt Ball will be held at the Royal Hibernian Hotel on Monday, January the 6th, at 10 o'clock. Tickets, £1 (including running buffet), may be obtained from Royal Hibernian Hotel. Tables may be booked at hotel.

The Limerick Hunt Dance will be held on Friday, February 14th, 1941, at the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin.

Switzers Sale commences at 9 a.m. To-day . . . the best of all opportunities for really wise buying—for Yourself, your Family and your Home.

Switzers are offering their New Collection of Model Hats and Sports Hats at slightly reduced prices during the Sale.

Femina wish their numerous clients a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Further Reductions. Special value, "Pull-on" Stitched Cloth and Angora Hats.

Slyne's Sale. All models enormously reduced. For example: Evening Gown in apricot georgette, softly shirred corsage, was 6½ gns. now 2½ gns. — Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

Winter Sale of Footwear now on.—Stephens and Bourke, Ltd.

Byrne and O'Connell are showing greatly reduced Wool Frocks and Knit-wear at their January Sale. See windows. 12 Lr. Baggot st.

Our Boys have now on a great Sale of their High-grade Clothing and Outfitting for the Boys, Youths and Young Man. So now is the time to replenish the School Outfits whilst we have a big stock and at Sale Prices. 24 Wicklow street.

Genuine Reductions of all Millinery. Inspection invited.—M. Cathcart, 26 Dawson street.

Superfluous Hair—Whole face cleared in 1-24 hours. No pain, marks, or re-growth guaranteed.—Mr. Martin, M.R.M., Berlin. 11 Lr. Fitzwilliam St. ('Phone 64910). Dublin, and 86 South Mall, Cork.

Sharpley's Specialist, Baby Linen, Nursery, Accouchement Sets Price List—2 Nassau St., Dublin.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	9.41	9.41
Sets	5.17	5.18
Lighting-up Time	5.47	5.48

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	2.32	3.13
Evening	2.46	3.27

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Belfast	2. 2	2.16
Drogheda	2.20	2.34
Dundalk	2.17	3.31

LONDON LETTER

PREMIER AT [illegible]NED GUILDHALL

59 FLEET STREET, LOND[illegible]

TUESDAY NIGHT.

THE terrible attack on the City of London on Sunday night has [illegible] weakened the determination of the p[illegible] to persevere with the war, and the vi[illegible] Mr. Churchill yesterday to the rai[illegible] the Guildhall emphasises this fact. [illegible] reply to a question as to when th[illegible] would be over, Mr. Churchill re[illegible] "When we have beaten them," an[illegible] was received with cheers by the [illegible] standing around. There is now a d[illegible] for retaliation by air attack on Berl[illegible] Rome. There can be little doubt th[illegible] Churchill will remember the pitiful [illegible] he witnessed in the City of London [illegible] day.

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Night Bombing

The statement of Sir Hugh Dowding, former Chief of the Fighter Command of the Royal Air Force on his arrival at Ottawa, that he confidently believes that it will not be long before all the weight and sting has been taken out of the night bombing raids tends to confirm the view that new methods for dealing with the menace are nearing completion. Sir Hugh has devoted many years of patient study and practical work to solving this big problem, and when he handed over his office to Air-Marshal W. S. Douglas on December 1st it was believed that he was completing details of plans which are now being adopted.

Dr. Oliver Gogarty

The *Evening Standard* to-day gives news of Dr. Oliver Gogarty, who left Dublin for London when the Senate was dissolved, and went to New York about fifteen months ago. He began work on a new book in New York, but complained of the barbaric noise of the motor sirens, and is now residing in a little village in New Jersey.

Volunteer Spotters

Evidence of the feeling raised by the rain of incendiary bombs on London is provided by numerous volunteers to act as fire-spotters. For some time past spotters have been employed by all commercial firms with large premises, and by owners of factories and workshops, but the movement has now spread to smaller concerns and to private householders. In many districts, volunteer fire spotters have been appointed to watch for incendiary bombs and to deal with them so that they can be neutralised before doing damage. The volunteer spotters are working without pay or remuneration of any kind, and even on Sunday night, while the raid was still in progress, volunteer parties were formed to go on watches so that one or more could be on duty throughout the night, and the parties have since been placed on a more substantial footing, so that what was a spontaneous idea has become an established service. During Sunday night hundreds of incendiary bombs were rendered harmless before the chemical action could start, and many large buildings owe their safety to the pluck and willing service given by the volunteers, who took up the work at a moment's notice and remained on duty until the danger had passed.

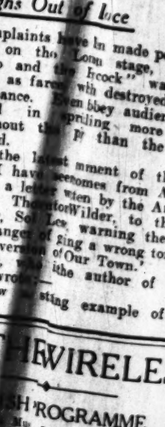
IRISHMAN'S DIARY

A Fine Broadcast

"Nichevo" writes:—

I wonder how many of my readers heard Frank O'Connor's remarkable broadcast from London on Saint Stephenses Night. (I know that I ought to write Saint Stephen's, or even Boxing Night; but I always had a *gradh* for "Stephenses," so Stephenses it must remain).

It was really a splendid piece of work, all the better for the fact of its manifest sincerity; and I was glad to hear that his broadcasting voice had improved enormously.



FRANK O'CONNOR.

I well remember the first time Frank O'Connor went on the air—for I accompanied him, also making my aerial début. We had a debate from 2RN, and I do not know which of us was the more nervous! I know that nobody could have been more nervous than I felt on that auspicous occasion.

"Drawmatise"

By the way, his English listeners must have been rather bewildered by Frank's pronunciation of one word—and I wonder where he got it, being a bit of a crank on accents myself. He pronounced "dramatise" "drawmatise"—just like that. In reply to a question as to when the denizens of Rathmines would be over, Mr. Churchill replied "When we have beaten them," and was received with cheers by the [illegible] standing around. There is now a d[illegible] for retaliation by air attack on Berl[illegible] Rome. There can be little doubt th[illegible] Churchill will remember the pitiful [illegible] he witnessed in the City of London [illegible] day.

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GROW MORE FOOD TO SURVIVE

Dr. Ryan Warns of Shortage

SAYS SITUATION IS MENACING

Imports Likely To Be Cut Off Completely

THE grave danger of a food shortage was stressed by Dr. James Ryan, Minister for Agriculture, in a Radio adress last evening from the Dublin Station.

The position, he said, is becoming more serious, and it is possible that in a short time all imported food may be cut off.

For this reason all essential foods must be produced at home. To this end it had been ordered that additional arable land should be tilled. The Minister had power to take over the land of farmers who failed to comply with the Order.

There was no reason why more wheat should not be grown; and it should be remembered that this country was all dependent for more than half of its requirements on imported supplies.

The Minister urged the importance of growing more potatoes, oats and barley, the latter as a substitute for maize, of which it was unlikely that any would be available in the coming year.

MAY TAKE OVER LAND

At the present moment, said Dr. Ryan, when men are debating the most effective measures for the defence of their country, it is important to remember that one of the very urgent questions is that of food supply. I want to stress the gravity of the situation in regard to our food supplies. The position is gradually becoming more serious, and it is quite possible, if not probable, that within a very short period supplies of imported food may be cut off entirely.

With this in mind, the Government had no alternative but to amend the Tillage Order increasing the area required to be cultivated in 1941 from one-sixth to one-fifth of the arable land on each holding comprising ten or more statute acres of such land. Faced with a situation so menacing, it must be obvious to everyone that the question of increased food production is of the first importance, outweighing every other problem which confronts us at the moment.

PRODUCE OR STARVE

When speaking in the past I hesitated to sound an alarming note in regard to supplies of foodstuffs for human and animal use. The time for hesitancy is past. I now wish to say quite positively that, if our people are to survive the dangers which lie ahead, all essential foods must be produced at home.

On more than one occasion in the past I have said that in normal circumstances I would not favour the adoption of compulsion in the matter of food production. My views have not changed, and I have not abandoned the expectation that, given reasonable encouragement, the farmers of this country will respond to the appeal to produce in the year 1941 the additional food required to render us independent of imported supplies. That is why an increase in the guaranteed price for wheat was announced at the same time as the amendment of the Tillage Order. I am confident that the farmers of this country will, apart from any Tillage Order, co-operate whole-heartedly in ensuring that the maximum amount of food is produced in this fertile country.

NATION'S NEED ACUTE

There will always be a minority, however, who will remain deaf to appeals on behalf of the country, and callous to the danger of hunger in their own and their neighbours' families. For these compulsion is necessary. They will have to till twenty per cent. of their arable land, and, if they have not made sufficient progress by the middle of February, I am empowered to take over the land and have it tilled. While I have no wish to interfere unnecessarily with any farmer, I want to warn the dilatory that the nation's needs are too acute to allow me to be indulgent. And so I leave to their fate those who must be driven.

I turn again to the majority, the great majority, of farmers, and I ask them to take steps at once to ensure that adequate supplies of food for our people will be forthcoming. Wheat, sugar beet and potatoes are of primary importance. Oatmeal, for porridge, and malting barley are also required.

DEPENDING ON IMPORTS

Bread is the staple food of all peoples, and wheat is the basis of bread. Every country in the world endeavours to safeguard its wheat supplies, and we have not been backward in this connection. While our farmers have responded loyally to the appeal for increased production of wheat, and while the area under this crop has increased within the last decade from approximately 20,000 to over 300,000 acres, we are still dependent on imported supplies for more than half our requirements.

One may well ask is there any good reason why we should not grow all the wheat we need? My answer is "No." Less than a century ago this country grew over 600,000 acres of wheat annually. Surely in these times, with modern farm machinery and equipment, farmers should be capable of doing what their forefathers did, especially when regard is had to the fact that there is now an assured market and a guaranteed price of 40s. for every barrel of millable wheat produced.

ALL FARMS SUITABLE

Some years ago there was a general impression that wheat could be grown successfully only on the better-class soils. Experience of recent years has shown this to be a fallacy. Good crops of wheat have been secured in almost every district in the country, and there is scarcely a farm throughout the length and breath of the land on which wheat cannot be grown with reasonable success.

If ample supplies of artificial manures were available, I would have no fears for returns on the poorer soils. The enhanced price guaranteed for the crop, on the other hand, should at least make up for any reduction in yield due to a possible shortage of fertilisers.

Winter wheat can, with safety, be sown everywhere in this country up to the end of February. Ample supplies of first quality seed of winter varieties are available, while we cannot guarantee an unlimited supply of spring seed. Consequently, farmers who propose to sow wheat—and I hope every farmer will—should get the crop in at once. Farmers who have already sown wheat should, because of the gravity of the situation—and in view of the enhanced price—increase their acreage under the crop. I would appeal to every farmer then, in the first place, to grow enough wheat for his own household. After next harvest he will thus have cheaper, better and more wholesome bread on his table. Having secured himself and his family against want, he should grow as much as he can for sale. Remember, there is a guaranteed market at a guaranteed price. The farmer who grows more wheat is, therefore, a good father and a good Irishman.

MORE POTATOES

The potato has long been regarded as a staple article in the diet of our people. Nevertheless, it is doubtful if its true value as a human or animal food is fully appreciated, even in this country. Acre for acre, potatoes produce at least twice as much human food as any of the cereals, and potatoes are included as one of the most important items in the principal meal of every family in the country. Moreover, the crop can be fed to all types of farm stock, and it has been proved that for its purpose four tons of potatoes are the equalent of one ton of maize meal. An increase in the acreage is, therefore, an obvious means of meeting a shortage of human and animal foods. Equally desirable is the proper care and storage of potatoes, particularly against winter frosts; the economical use of table potatoes, and the reservation of supplies of seed for the planting of an increased acreage in 1941.

The oat crop is no less important. When it is realised that almost 700,000 acres of oats were grown in this country last season, that oats are capable of being utilised to a considerable extent for human consumption, and that the grain can be fed to every class of farm animal, the importance of the crop as a feature of our national economy cannot be over-emphasised.

NO MAIZE COMING

Since it is unlikely that any maize will be available in the coming year, and since it is essential that our production of milk, butter, bacon and egg should be maintained, the acreage under oats during the coming season must be further increased if our live stock are to be properly fed.

The growing of barley has hitherto been confined more or less to special districts, but there is no reason why the crop should not be more extensively cultivated. While all soils may not be capable of producing first-class malting barley, crops eminently suitable for feeding purposes can be grown in practically every district. Barley is the ideal substitute for maize, especially for pig-feeding, and if our utput of pork and bacon is to be maintained adequate supplies of barley for blending with oats are a necessity.

The shrewd farmer knows that before long there will be no imported feeding-stuffs for his animals. He knows that, wheat being scarce, the millers must extract more flour from it and leaveless offals behind. He sees that he must, therefore, grow all his own feeding-stuffs, and he makes up his mind to increase the area under potatoes, oats and barley. He will also see that our leanest period will be the period immediately before next harvest. He can anticipate this to some extent by growing more potatoes, because they will be available for use two months before the grain crops come in.

LIVE-STOCK FOOD

It must be borne in mind that the great bulk of the farmer's produce is grown for use on the farm, mainly in the feeding of live stock. This applies particularly to the root and forage crops. Moreover, the sale of these crops through the medium of animals and animal products is the best and most economical method of disposing of them. If farmers, therefore, are to maintain the present system it is absolutely necessary that the maximum amount of roots and kindred crops should be raised in the coming year.

On a number of occasions recently reference has been made to the facilities offered by the Government for the provision of allotments during the 1941 season for both the employed and unemployed. I do not want to repeat what I have already said, except to mention that the amount of food capable of being raised in small gardens and allotments is, in the aggregate, of considerable dimensions. The occupier of a small garden or an allotment can, therefore, contribute his quota to the nation in the existing emergency.

MANURIAL WANTS

In their efforts to respond to the appeal for increased food production many farmers are handicapped by the temporary shortage of artificial manures. This, however, is not the only difficulty that has to be overcome, and, while adequate supplies of artificial manures are important, there is no reason, in their absence, why the programme for increased production should not be brought to a successful conclusion. It should not be forgotten that even in normal times many farmers in this country used artificial manures only to a limited extent. Neither can we overlook the fact that less than a century ago, before artificial manures were known, the area under crops was double what it is at present.

In this emergency men and women of all ages and stations have offered to work for the common good. Some have joined the Army, some the L.S.F., some have trained in A.R.P. work, some in fire fighting, and some in nursing and first aid, and some have even offered to revive the wounded with their blood. In all these organisations there are men and women from the land. More tillage may be more troublesome, or, indeed, it may appear unnecessary but I would ask all to think of the common good.

"TILL ALL YOU CAN"

He can serve the common good first by grown enough wheat, potatoes and oats for his own household; secondly, by devoting as much land as he can to wheat for sale; and, thirdly, by making his farm absolutely self-sufficient in the provision of feeding stuffs for his stock.

Finally, I appeal to every farmer to think it over. If he does he can only come to one conclusion, and that is to till all he can. He will be a good Irishman when he thinks of his country's needs, and he will be a shrewd farmer when he thinks of his own economy.

BRITISH MINISTER'S WARNING

DANGER OF FOOD SHORTAGE

In an announcement yesterday, Lord Woolton, British Food Minister, said that the danger of food shortage now was greater than in the last war, and he urged that food grown in the country should be used in preference to that imported. The people should eat more potatoes and porridge. There were ample supplies of oats. With regard to cheese, he said that instead of rationing it he would rely on the public, and he appealed to those who did not need cheese to do without it, and leave what there was for those who needed it to carry on with their work.

They should regard canned food as an iron ration to be used only in case supplies ran out in other foods.

MOTOR SPIRIT DELIVERIES

Resumed To-day on Restricted Basis

STATEMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT

THE official announcement last night of the resumption of motor spirit distribution from to-day gave much relief to business men in Dublin, who were greatly perturbed at the situation which existed during the past few days.

There was a notable diminution in the number of private cars in the streets yesterday, and the licensing offices in Kildare street, which are usually crowded with applicants for licences on the closing days of the quarter, had comparatively few callers.

THE STATEMENT

The official Government statement was in the following terms:—

"The distributing companies have been authorised to resume deliveries of motor spirit as from to-morrow, 1st January, 1941, on a restricted basis.

"The value of petrol coupons is not being changed—that is to say, the unit for coupon purposes is still one gallon—and licence holders are requested not to exchange their coupons for motor spirit on any other basis.

"Garage proprietors are warned that for the next week or two they cannot expect to get their normal supplies, and they should, therefore, ensure that the petrol supplied to them is distributed on an equitable basis among their customers.

"Economy in the consumption of petrol is essential for the present, and the Department confidently appeals for the co-operation of motor vehicle users in this respect. Motor cars should not be used for non-essential purposes.

"Motor vehicle users to whom special allowances have been granted for commercial or professional purposes are warned that these supplementary allowances should be used only for the purposes for which they have been given, and that the full allowance should not be availed of if any economy can be secured. It is hoped that such motor vehicle owners will surrender to the Department coupons representing any economies they can achieve.

"Public transport services should be availed of to the utmost extent possible.

"Garage proprietors are reminded that as from the 1st January it will be illegal to accept November or December coupons, and that the acceptance of such coupons will render them liable to heavy penalties."

PERPLEXING SITUATION

In view of the seriousness of the situation yesterday morning, and in the absence of an authoritative statement, the following telegram was sent to Mr. de Valera at Government Buildings, by Mr. G. D. Findlater, managing director of the well-known firm, Alex. Findlater and Co., Ltd., whose head offices are in Upper O'Connell street, Dublin:

"Suggest 1940 motor registration period be extended by Emergency Powers Order by seven days, or until such time as Government decision re petrol rationing is announced."

In a letter addressed to the Editor of the *Irish Times* Mr. Findlater writes:—

"We enclose copy of a telegram forwarded by our Managing Director to Mr. de Valera, suggesting that until such time as the Government come to a decision about petrol rationing the existing 1940 car registrations should be considered as valid. It would obviously be unreasonable for the registration authorities to accept registration payments for the first three months of 1941 when there would be a possibility that the car which was registered could not be put on the road at all during that period, due to lack of petrol.

"My company have thirty vans registered in 1940, and are at a loss to know what to do, unless some arrangement such as that outlined above is come to without delay. It will mean, at any rate, that thirty members of our staff will be without a job to-morrow, and thousands of housewives all over the City of Dublin will be without their necessary food supplies. If the Government come to an arrangement such as the above we will have sufficient petrol to arrange for reduced deliveries for a short period of time."

LICENCE APPLICATIONS

That other firms were as gravely perturbed was reflected at the Dublin Licensing Office, 4 Kildare street, yesterday. Normally, this office would be crowded with applicants for licences, mostly yearly. As a matter of fact, in preparation for such crowding special arrangements had been made, with entrance and exit doors to facilitate the applicants. Extra staff had also been brought into service, but instead of the customary rush associated with the eve of the quarter beginning 1st January there were very few licence holders. Most of these were taking out licences for the quarter only, and among them were representatives of some of the big distributing firms. Instead, however, of taking out licences for all the firm's motor vehicles they were renewing the licences of only a half or quarter the total number. This was indicative of the uncertainty as to the future prevailing.

That state of mind seems to be general, as the Royal Irish Automobile Association received many queries from its members as to the position and for guidance as to whether they should take out their licences.

CITY GARAGES

Many garages in the city yesterday were without petrol, but in one garage there was a constant line of cars all the morning queued up for a two-gallon petrol ration, which was available. Taxi drivers were working on a two-gallon ration for day and a similar supply for night, and arrangements had been made to give extra supplies to those taxi drivers who were hired for long journeys to the country.

SIAMESE KILLED IN FRONTIER CLASH

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
VICHY, Tuesday.

Fifteen Siamese, including two officers, were killed when a reconnoitring force from Thailand (Siam) engaged an Indo-Chinese motor cycle platoon north of Poipet, says a Hanoi despatch to the Havas News Agency to-day. The only casualty on the French side was one wounded.

The Thai Air Force, the despatch adds, made a leaflet raid on Indo-China on Saturday, dropping tracts on various regions bordering the Mekong River.

"FRANCE WILL TRIUMPH"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VICHY, Tuesday.

"France, under the high authority of Marshal Pétain, will surmount all the difficulties she is undergoing—and with honour, dignity and respect for her obligations," declares Admiral Darlan, Vichy's Minister of Marine, in a New Year message to the French Navy.

LONDON BOMBED, SAYS GERMANY

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.
BERLIN, Tuesday.

The official German News Agency claims that, "in spite of bad weather, bombs were dropped on London to-day from a great height."

An "important arms works north-east of London" was attacked by a low-flying 'plane, which scored three direct hits on factory buildings, the Agency adds.

BARDIA STILL HOLDING OUT

Garrison Awaits Events

GREEKS CLAIM MORE ADVANCES

YESTERDAY'S communiqué from the British G.H.Q. at Cairo says:—

"LIBYA.—In Bardia the Italian garrison, harassed by our artillery fire, continues passively to await events. On the frontiers of Sudan and Kenya our patrols have again been active."

A *communiqué* issued from Middle East Headquarters, R.A.F., yesterday states:—

"On the night of December 29-30 heavy bombers of the R.A.F. raided enemy landing grounds at Gazala and Tobruk. A number of fires were started at Gazala, followed by large explosions. All bombs fell in the target area. At Tobruk intense anti-aircraft fire was encountered, but the attack was pressed home, and all our aircraft returned safely. Our fighters maintained standing patrols throughout yesterday (Monday), but no interceptions were made. A number of reconnaissance flights were successfully carried out over the Bardia-Tobruk area."

CLAIMS INCREASED

In the *communiqué* on December 29 it was stated that British fighters encountered a large formation of Italian bombers, and that in the ensuing engagement one S.79 and one CR.42 were shot down, as well as others damaged. It is now established (says the Press Association) that three S.79s were shot down, an increase of two S.79s on the success originally claimed.

In Greece one British fighter on patrol in the Lavaks-Preveza area intercepted and shot down an Italian float 'plane. The aircraft crashed into the sea. Another British fighter intercepted an S.81 over Akra Poseidon, and shot it down in flames into the sea.

An offensive reconnaissance was carried out over a large area of Somaliland. Some buildings alongside the landing ground at Seilah were bombed and considerable damage caused. On December 29 fighter aircraft of the South African Air Force machine-gunned dispersed aircraft on the Bardera Aerodrome (Italian Somaliland). One bomber, a Savoia 8, was totally destroyed by fire and others severely damaged. Italian bombers, escorted by fighters, raided Malta on Monday, but no damage or casualties resulted, except the slight wounding of two children.

ITALIAN SHIPS SUNK

REPORT FROM BELGRADE

A Belgrade message to the Press Association says that a British warship sank four Italian supply ship in the Adriatic yesterday, according to reports received in Belgrade. The supply vessels were carrying heavy guns and motor lorries.

The British Air *communiqué* from Greece, recording the shooting down of an Italian floatplane, says that the British pilots dropped a dinghy to members of the crew and waited till it could be seen that they were alive. From all operations all the aircraft returned safely.

A daring attack by a Canadian pilot led to the shooting down of the Italian floatplane, says the Press Association from Athens.

IMPROVED WEATHER

Reports from the Albanian front state that the Greeks accelerated their advance during an improvement of the weather with artillery and aviation activity.

In the northern sector Greek bombers were said to have destroyed an Italian ammunition dump and bombed troop concentrations. In the central sector an important height was captured. Greek fighter 'planes were reported to have shot down two Italian bombers as they were returning from a raid in Greece, says the Associated Press.

RAID ON JANINA

Italian bombers, some flying at 9,000 feet, raided the Greek town of Janina on Monday in the first major attack for three weeks, says Associated Press. Other border towns were also raided. The Italians fled when the Greeks established strong defensive patrols.

Daniel de Luce, Associated Press war correspondent, in a four days' tour of the Greek west coast, saw Italian bombers each day. He said that they rarely descended below 10,000 feet because of deadly anti-aircraft fire from Greek batteries.

"I watched bombs strike nearly a mile from a target which the Italians were undoubtedly trying to hit," he cabled. "Local boys collect the dead fish when the Italian bombs hit the sea, and civilians are displaying an enormous capacity for grinning and bearing it while the enemy is attacking."

Corfu was raided again yesterday morning, says the Press Association. Several bombs were dropped by three Italian 'planes, without, however, causing any casualties or damage.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

THE WAR IN THE NEW YEAR

The Times, after reviewing editorially today the leading events of the war during the past year, says:—

The lessons of the last six months are clear for all to read. Only the best that minds and bodies can give is good enough for the tasks which still confront us. The assaults upon our shipping continue, and they may be leading up to a crisis. The attacks upon our shipping have increased, and the enemy is using to the full the strategic advantages gained by possession of the harbours and airfields of conquered countries. He may even now be angling for the possession of the French fleet and of further bases on the Mediterranean and Atlantic coast of Africa.

To work hand-in-hand with the United States; to ensure that our war-planning shall be both imaginative and scientific, so that the rôles expected of the three Services shall be well defined, and none shall claim from man-power or industrial plant, or raw materials what another needs more urgently; to provide the fighting forces with the best armament available, and train them to use it with the highest possible skill; to use and expand the resources of industry and agriculture to the best advantage of the community; to protect sleeping citizens from the bomber, and to look after them when their homes are destroyed; and, from the highest to the humblest, to do our work as well as we can—these are among the needs of the year 1941.

Whether our enemies have prepared some new and sensational move for the near future, or are awaiting the spring in their search for a final decision, we still have a great deal of leeway to make up. We are still not a fully-armed nation; though we have now reached that stage in equipment, and in time when replacements begin to add to the calls upon industry. The work accepted in this field, the victories gained at sea, in the air, and in North Africa—all these are proof that there is no falling off in human quality or in the products of our workshops from the high standards of our past. Our leadership has proved itself and won the confidence of the people and the armed forces. Strategically we have been weakened by the defeat of others, though in the Mediterranean we have repaired that weakness.

BANKS' ORDER TO EMPLOYES

Terms of New Contract

MUST ACCEPT OR GO

THOUSANDS of bank officials in Eire and Northern Ireland have rejected the banks' ultimatum asking them to agree to a new contract of service or lose their employment. A number have applied for pensions rather than agree to the proposals.

When the banks some time ago asked their employés to agree to certain modifications in their terms of employment, the officials referred the matter to the Irish Bank Officials' Association. Negotiations between the association and the banks were attempted but came to nothing. Now the banks have made new proposals which the association claims would put the officials in an even worse position.

In a circular addressed to each member of their staffs the banks say that they regret that their officials did not accept the modifications suggested in their letter of November 23. They also regretted that the discussions with the association, which began nearly twelve months ago, and which were resumed after November 23, had not resulted in agreement. By directions of their Boards, therefore, the banks gave notice terminating existing contracts of service on June 30 next, upon which date the present contract of service would cease. Unless re-engaged the officials would be paid by their banks such pension as they would be entitled to under the terms of the existing contract of service.

THE NEW CONTRACT

The new contract of service which the officials were asked to accept provides that employment with the bank may be terminated after three months' notice in writing, instead of after six months, as was the case under the old agreement. New scales of salary are indicated. These show an increase on their face, but actually they represent the existing salary plus the amount payable in income tax at the rate up to 6s. in the £. For example, the salary of a person with fifteen years' service with a bank now fixed at £310 is increased to £345, but as the existing salaries are free of income tax the advantage of the increase, the association claims, does not lie with the officials, especially having regard to the possibility of further increases in the rate of tax and the already high rate in Northern Ireland. In other words, while the bank officials will have increases in salary they will have to pay income tax which they had not to do hitherto.

On this matter, it was stated by an official of the Association to an *Irish Times* reporter yesterday that the bank employés in the past had not objected to paying income tax provided their salaries were of such a nature that they could afford to do so. Even the Banking Commission had suggested this, but the banks had refused to agree, as they apparently gambled on the belief that there would be a decline in the rate of tax. Now, when the opposite was the case they were anxious to get rid of the burden, which shows a tendency to increase further. Income tax is now 6s. 6d. in the £ in Eire and 8s. 6d. in Northern Ireland, and these rates may be increased still further.

INCOME TAX

The proposed contract of service sets out that the official will be liable for income tax as from July 1, 1941, and the bank would make no contribution to the income tax payable by the official for the year ended April 5 or any subsequent year, save that it would accept liability for one-fourth only of the tax payable for the year ending April 5, 1942, after taking credit for allowances. This provision is to allow for any hardship which might arise from the fact that the assessment for the year ending April 5, 1942, would be based on the aggregate of the tax-paid remuneration for the year ended April 5, 1941. As from July next the bank will deduct from its official's salary the amount of the income tax payable.

In regard to the cost of living, the proposed contract provides that so long as the official cost of living index figure, ascertained by taking the average figures in Eire and Northern Ireland, of the preceding year is above 175, the bank will pay a bonus at the rate of eight per cent. if the salary and rank allowance does not exceed £330, and four per cent. if it is above that sum. Allowances for dwellinghouses will not carry bonus. In this connection the association states that under the 1920 award the bonus was fixed at 16 per cent. in Eire and 4 per cent. in Northern Ireland.

The letter states that if the new contract of service is not accepted by February 28 the official will be deemed not to have accepted re-employment.

PENSION SCHEME

Accompanying the proposals is a pension schedule, which incorporates changes in the conditions governing pensions payable by the banks. The schedule provides that pensions will be payable after fifteen years' service, and an official will be entitled to a pension when he reaches the age of 65 years or completes 45 years service. It is stipulated that an official dismissed for dishonesty, disobeying reasonable orders, immoral conduct, drunkenness, and any other omission amounting to grave misconduct, will not be entitled to a pension.

Under the old scheme an official could be dismissed for drunkenness after warning—warning which, it was held, must be given in writing. In the new schedule there is no mention of warning and the official can be dismissed without any further ado. Furthermore the old scheme set out that dismissal could follow criminal or grave misconduct, but in the new schedule it is set out that it can be the result of any act of omission amounting to grave misconduct. This, it is claimed, allows of a very wide interpretation, solely at the discretion of the banks. Exception is also taken to the stipulation that where retirement is not the cause of ill-health, inefficiency or improper conduct three months' notice requiring retirement is to be given. Under the award the length of notice was six months. The schedule provides that income tax on all pensions, including bonus, will be payable by the recipient, and the banks will deduct from the pensions the amount of income tax liable.

PROPOSALS REJECTED

The bank will also pay a bonus on the pensions, amounting to eight per cent. and four per cent. respectively, if the pension does not or does exceed £330.

The *Irish Times* reporter was told that most of the circulars sent out already had been received at the offices of the association, a procedure adopted when the previous proposals were made. In Northern Ireland virtually one hundred per cent. of the officials concerned had rejected the proposals.

It will be recalled that the banks' request for new conditions of service outlined some time ago in the *Irish Times* arose out of circumstances connected with the present emergency. On that occasion the banks suggested that their employés must be prepared to shoulder some of the burdens which the people as a whole were called to bear.

FIRE-WATCHING IN ENGLAND

THE PRINCIPLE OF COMPULSION

Mr. Herbert Morrison, in a broadcast call last night for fire watchers, disclosed that the principle of compulsion has been affirmed by the Government, and that details are now being worked out and will be promulgated as soon as possible.

Compulsion will apply to everyone in every grade, managers and office workers as well as manual workers, as the needs of the situation may require.

Factories and businesses of all kinds, large and small, will be subject to [illegible] for any neglect of their fire-watching obligations.

HITLER'S TALK ON WAR

Scathing References to Churchill

WHAT 1941 WILL BRING TO GERMANY

HERR HITLER, in a New Year's Eve proclamation to the German National Socialists yesterday, alleged, "mainly because of his gossiping," Mr. Churchill forewarned the Germans at the "eleventh hour" of Britain's intention to land troops in Norway.

He described Mr. Churchill as "this criminal" who "has been ordering German cities to be bombed by night," and, "as especially the inhabitants of Berlin know, has been assigning hospitals as special targets."

In a reference to the United States, he spoke of "elements which still believe to-day that the war offers the greatest business deal."

PLUTOCRATIC DEMOCRACIES

After going over the story of "German oppressed," he said that, should the democracies be the victors, the workers would become the victims of all the capitalist cruelty of which those whose only God was gold were capable, and added: "The Lord God will not desert us in future."

He spoke briefly of his Axis partner, hinting at aid for the hard-pressed Italians with the comment, "Her struggle is our struggle."

After declaring that the "new Germany" was determined not to suffer any 'onger "blackmailing," which was bringing the nation and the country to total ruin, Hitler said: "Characterless emigrants united themselves with the Jewish parasites who had abandoned the Reich, cast suspicion on the German nation and her leaders, and thus helped to produce that state of mind which, sooner or later, had to lead to war."

For centuries some nations, with Britain at their head, had over-run the world with their wars, and so established that world order of haves and have-nots.

"Although they possess the greatest treasure store in the world, they are not capable of mastering the distress of their own peoples. States which have scarcely ten persons per square kilometre, which can call all the raw materials of the world their own, have between 10,000,000 and 12,000,000 unemployed. This happens because the profit-seeking, corruption, sluggishness, and also the stupidity of the ruling classes of these plutocratic democracies refuse all methods and measures which might curtail the limitless egoism of the individual in favour of the life of the whole.

A "LONG WAR"

"These elements, which in the democracies are leading political personalities and also owners and shareholders in armament industries, believed, and still believe to-day, that war offers the greatest business deal. Above all, they want a long war, as it is in their interests to get the greatest possible value from their investments, their money and their capitalistic interests. It is, therefore, understandable if one of the chief armament industrialists in England, a recently deceased Mr. Chamberlain, declared from the very first day that the war would last at least three years for England.

"It is also understandable if other democratic rulers consider the economic side of participation in the war as the greatest for their countries, and do not make any secret of the fact that they hate the idea of a peaceful settlement—that is, a sensible arrangement in the people's interests—because those with their interests in the armaments industry, hungry for their dividends, would be deprived of substantial profits."

NO CLAIMS ON ALLIES

Asserting that Germany had not made the slightest claim either on France or England, Hitler went on: "As late as October 6, 1939, I invited France and Britain conjointly to lay down their weapons with Germany, and to strive by joint efforts to achieve rational reconstruction."

The year 1940 brought verdicts of an extent and tempo never yet experienced in the history of nations. "Mr. Churchill's attempt to establish himself in Norway by a surprise attack came to our knowledge at the eleventh hour—mainly thanks to his own gossiping—and led to a clash in that country.

Of the battle of France he said:—"When British propagandists try to make out that France broke away from the war quite unnecessarily, we can say: 'The first unit to give up were the British divisions. From the first moment of our attack in the West this British Army had only one thought—to vacate the Continent as speedily as possible, and to allow the Dutch, Belgians and French to provid the necessary cover.'"

Hitler praised the German Army, paid tribute to his home front, and spoke of his desire "to end this senseless war" after "the campaign in the West," before he declared that "the democratic elements interested in war, must be annihilated. Every power which eats of democracy will die of it."

WAR TO THE END

"If Mr. Churchill and his international democratic comrades declare that they are defending their world, and their world cannot exist side by side with ours, this is nothing but their own misfortune. If the Churchills and their capitalists satellites profess not to be able to live in such a world they will not destroy the German world, but will sooner or later see their own world destroyed. At our side since June last stand Fascist Italy. She is just as determined as we are to see through this war. Her struggle is our struggle, and her hopes are our hopes.

"Churchill in the past has won quite a number of so-called victories which in the end always proved to be defeats. Churchill is the same man who discovered in unrestricted aerial warfare the great secret of British victory. For three and a half months I watched this inhuman cruelty.

"The democratic firebrands greeted the warning that reprisals would come with loud laughter. Since the middle of September they must have realised that it was nothing but humane feelings which had for so long held us back from replying to the Churchill crimes. Now, however, this war will be waged to the end, namely, until the responsible criminals have been eliminated. They must realise, however, that in this war not fortune, but right will at last be victorious. Right is with the nations who are fighting for their threatened existence, and who will be spurred on by this struggle for existence to the most enormous achievement in world history.

WHY THIS WAR IS FOUGHT

"National Socialist Germany, Fasciat Italy and our ally, Japan, know that this war is not being fought for a form of State, nor for some international order or other, but solely for whether this earth is to be only for the haves and not for the have-nots. It was the realisation that the people are the determining force in the life of nations which gave wings to the National Socialist armies during the past year, and who will also prepare the way to victory for them in the coming year. Up to now the Lord God has given His approval to our fight. If we carry out our duty loyally and bravely He will not desert us in the future."

THE YEAR 1941

HITLER'S MESSAGE TO ARMY

Hitler in his new year's order of the day to the German Army thanked his soldiers for "unforgetable achievements," adding:—

"At the desire of the Democratic war agitators and their Jewish capitalist wire-pullers this war must be continued. We are ready. The year 1941 will bring the completion of the greatest victory in our history."

General Von Brauchitsch, Commander-in-Chief, German Army, in his order of the day, said:—"Stronger than ever, we stand on the threshold of the New Year, prepared for battle. At the command of our Fuehrer and in our unshakeable faith in him we will defeat our last enemy."—(P.A. War Special.)

MESSAGE TO NAZI PARTY

"Germany and Italy do not want to conquer the world." This statement is contained in a New Year's message by Hitler to the Nazi Party, which, Swiss radio stated to-night, is being broadcast in Germany at 8 a.m. to-morrow, says Associated Press last night.

Hitler expressed his thanks to the Nazi Party, and to those members who were serving with the armed forces, and added: "However, the New Year finds the German Forces particularly powerful. Germany is determined to wage this war to its ultimate consequences. You may be sure that each enemy bomb will be followed by ten, or, if necessary, by 100 German bombs."

GOEBBELS' NEW YEAR'S EVE BROADCAST

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.
BERLIN, Tuesday.

In a New Year broadcast to the German nation to night, Goebbels, Nazi propaganda chief, said:—"One of the most decisive years of Germany history comes to a close to-day. States, countries and nations have been remodelled in earthquake-like upheaval. A redistribution of political power has taken place such as would not have been considered possible in the space of decades, let alone in the space of one short year.

"I would have been taken for a fool and a dreamer, and not for a politician to be taken seriously, if on New Year's Eve last year I had prophesied that by the end of 1940 the German front would extend from Kirkenaes (in Norway) to the Bay of Biscay, that Norway would be under German protection, that France would be completely smashed, and that Britain, struck to the heart by the German counter-blockade and the day and night reprisal attacks against her nerve-centres, would be reeling under the heavy blows of our armed forces, struggling painfully for her bare existence, and begging all the world for help in order to prolong her life for a couple of months.

After reviewing the German successes in 1940, Goebbels continued: "In Germany in these hard months of war there is only one thought—the thought of victory. For this we shall work and fight until the attack of even the last enemy has been broken. The German people bow in deep reverence to the Almighty, who has so visibly given us in this year His blessing. He knows that we are waging this war for a better peace, that we are fighting for the happiness of mankind, which in the past has so often been trodden down by those in power."

LATE NEWS

BRITISH AIR CLAIM FOR YEAR 1940

3,500 'PLANES DESTROYED

Aircraft of the British Fighter Command destroyed 3,090 German planes in defence of Britain, protection of shipping, and over the French coast during 1940, states the British Air Ministry News Service. Anti-aircraft gunners, balloon barrages, and other units combined to raise the total of German losses to well over 3,500 'planes, it is claimed.

Last year, anti-aircraft batteries in the British Isles shot down and definitely destroyed a total of 444 and a half German aircraft, states the British Air Ministry News Service.

The odd half represents the A.A. gunners' share in a German bomber which was "finished off" by R.A.F. fighters after it had been winged by a near miss from a ground battery.

AUSTRALIAN SHIP RESCUES 500

SINGAPORE, Tuesday.

An Australian ship has rescued 500 persons from Emaru Island, in the Bismarck Archipelago, where they were landed on December 21 by German commercial raiders, an official announcement here to-night stated. Those rescued were British, French and Norwegian, and included 70 women and seven children. There were also the passengers and crews of a number of ships.

SILENT BOMBERS AND SPEED-BOATS CLAIM

BASLE, Tuesday.

An eye-witness report of the trials of a new German speed-boat with a soundless Diesel engine is published to-day by the Berlin Correspondent of the *National Zeitung*. He says that "it shoots through the water like a silent shark with lightning speed."

Experiments with soundless dive-bombers, which are inaudible at a distance of 150 to 180 feet, have also been carried out in Poland, he says.—(Press Association War Special.)

BERLIN ON ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

"MAKING HIS PEOPLE RIPE FOR WAR"

The *Diplomatische Korrespondenz*, the mouthpiece of the German Foreign Office, describes President Roosevelt's speech as a "message by which the President makes not only his own people, but also the other nations of the American Continent ripe for war." It adds: "The speech is a renewed proclamation of the President's hostility to Germany and of his persistent solidarity with the British enemy, who is showing symptoms of his approaching end. The Americans know from their past history that he was often Britain, and never Germany, with whom it had conflicts about the freedom and independence of the Western Hemisphere. It knows full well the promises to which it [illegible] twenty years ago. [illegible] legislation America [illegible] herself [illegible] to-day [illegible] sail [illegible]

JAPAN'S GREETING TO AXIS

HOPE FOR NEW WORLD-ORDER

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

TOKYO, Tuesday.

New Year's greetings have been telegraphed by Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, to the German and Italian Foreign Ministers. They ran: "Believing that the German, Italian and Japanese nations will, with renewed faith, increasingly reap the fruits of their co-operation for the realisation of their ideal, as manifested by the Tripartite Pact, I earnestly hope that your brave people will achieve brilliant results in the war."

A wish that all truly God-fearing peoples all over the world should co-operate "in saving the new year from becaming one destructive to modern civilisation" was voiced by Mr. Matsuoka in a message reviewing Japanese foreign policy. At the same time he said that "the oppressed majority of nations have no other recourse than to use force in realising their just desires. The entire human society has been thrown into the arena of a life or death struggle," declared Mr. Matsuoka, according to the Domei Agency, quoted by Reuter.

"International life, both in peace and war, used to be characterised by a relentless practice of exploitation, the preying of the strong upon the weak and the power of gold, accumulated as the result of exploitation, has long been monopolised by a few greedy nations. The construction of the new order cannot be achieved by the mere destruction of the old one. The ultimate objective of the new order is to realise an international life in which a common existence shall be achieved in prosperity and mutual profit." This, Mr. Matsuoka said, must be brought about by enabling all peoples "each to have their proper place, to determine and develop their own destiny, to give full play to their characteristics, and to minister to each others' needs.

"The first and second European wars, as well as the present China affair, are only struggles necessarily preceding the reformation of the world. It is my fervent desire that this new year will be the first year of the world's revival under the new order, with the foundation of a fair, lasting and genuine peace established throughout the world."

WORKLESS IN THE NORTH

A SLIGHT INCREASE

The number of men aged 18 and over, registered as wholly unemployed in Northern Ireland on December 9, was 30,523. The figure was 23 more than that on November 11, 1940, but 22,005 less than that recorded last year.

The number of women aged 18 and over registered as wholly unemployed on December 9 was 25,092. This was a decrease of 1,153 as compared with November, but an increase of 8,225 as compared with a year before. The figure for juveniles was 4,980.

On December 9 there were in addition 6,905 persons registered as temporarily suspended from work, a decrease of 941 as compared with November 11. The figures included 1,689 men, 4,801 women and 415 juveniles. On the same date there were on the registers 2,143 persons normally in casual employment, an increase of 586 as compared with November 11.

MAYO RAIDS AND SEIZURES

During the week-end extensive raids were carried out by Customs officers and detectives at Annagh, Corclough and Glenlara, Co. Mayo, for articles washed ashore. Bales of hams, rubber and lard were seized and taken to Dublin.

MARSHAL PETAIN'S CALL TO NATION

"PRODUCE EVERYTHING WE NEED"

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

VICHY, Tuesday.

"The year 1941 must be the year of France's resurrection," declared Marshal Pétain in a new year message broadcast to the nation to-night.

After stressing the difficulties which confront the country, he appealed for solidarity among all classes of Frenchmen. "Do not listen to those who seek to exploit your miseries to disunite the nation," he urged.

"We shall have hunger. The war robbed us of a great part of our crops, the blockade deprives us of overseas food supplies, which before the war amounted to more than six million tons a year. I appeal to French ingenuity to improvise means to make up the shortage."

Speaking particularly to the peasants and factory workers, he said: "1941 must be a year of tremendous effort. The peasants of France must drag from the soil everything it has to give. Every fallow acre must be brought into cultivation. The workers must not be discouraged. Their lot will be hard. Our stocks of raw materials are dwindling. Some industries are in danger of coming to a complete standstill. Let the workers, whether unemployed or not, remember that the Government of the National Revolution is working to liberate their future from the intervention of foreign capitalism."

"France must rely on herself," he said. "We must produce and manufacture everything we need for a prosperous life."

BELFAST MAN RECEIVES THREE WOUNDS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Tuesday.

Gerald Deane, Ardalee street, Belfast, was admitted to the Royal Victoria Hospital last night suffering from three thigh wounds, which, it is reported, he received while walking near his home.

As Deane was crossing from Shankill road towards Falls road he noticed three men, and when he ran away he was pursued by the men, one of whom discharged revolver shots at him. His condition is regarded as grave.

"RELIEF AIDS" FROM AMERICANS

The League for Human Rights, Freedom and Democracy is planning to set up a nation-wide committee in America "to provide for relief aids of all kinds to their British comrades."

This is stated in the telegram which Mr. Bevin, Minister of Labour, has received from the president of the league.

Mr. Bevin replied: "Victory can be brought much nearer and the brutal barbarism of the Nazies checked if American workers appreciate how essential it is to speed up production now. Each day's increased effort will shorten the struggle by a day."

Thomas Henry Ladenburg (30), salesman, son of the Baroness Ladenburg, of the Moorings Hotel, Pevensey Bay, Sussex, appeared on remand at Eastbourne, charged with demanding money with menaces at the Midland Bank, Eastbourne, on December 18, and, further, with having in his possession an imitation firearm. He was discharged.

BANK CLERKSHIPS.
Pupils of ROSSE COLLEGE, 65 Stephen's Green, gained 88 Bank Appts. since Jan., 1939. Class and Postal Tuition.—(Advt.)

QUIET DAY IN THE AIR

FEW RAIDERS OVER ENGLAND

PRESS ASSOCIATION TELEGRAM.

LONDON, Tuesday.

German aircraft were quiet again up to a late hour to-night. For several hours after darkness fell there were no raids in any part of Britain.

Activity during the day was confined to a few isolated attacks by single German aircraft in Kent and Essex, after a raid-free night, due to bad weather.

A German raider which dropped two bombs at an East Anglian coastal town this afternoon on being engaged by ground defences caused no casualties, and there was only insignificant damage.

The bombs fell in the sea, the blast causing the collapse of a summer shelter and a bandstand.

Another East Anglian town was visited by a lone raider, which dropped nine small-calibre high-explosive bombs. There were no casualties, and only slight damage was done to commercial premises. The 'plane afterwards flew low over the streets and let off several bursts of machine gun fire, but the bullets flew into the ground and the walls.

TRINITY HOUSE DESTROYED

Trinity House, the home of the Trinity Brethren, who for 400 years have been responsible for the safety of all shipping in British home waters, was destroyed by fire in Sunday's raid on London.

GERMAN REPORT

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

ROME, Tuesday.

A Berlin message to the Italian News Agency states:—

"Yesterday German airplanes attacked with great success several British aerodromes, which were hit with heavy-calibre bombs.

"Installations, hangars and huts were destroyed. Enemy 'planes were attacked with machine-guns and incendiaries.

"On the same day a German airplane attacked an aerodrome in South-East England, and bombed part of it.

"Two enemy 'planes were hit and completely burned out. Six others were hit by bomb splinters and machine-gun bullets and badly damaged."

TO FIGHT NIGHT BOMBER

According to a Reuter message Air-Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding, who has arrived in Canada, stated in an interview:

"I confidently believe that before very long the sting will be taken out of night bombing attacks. I expect that the worst in the bombing menace will be over by the spring. A new method for air night fighting is being rapidly completed."

ROYAL AIR FORCE OVER GERMANY

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

BERLIN, Tuesday.

Four Royal Air Force 'planes flew over Germany, after crossing occupied territory, this afternoon, according to the official German News Agency. Two of them, the Agency claims, were shot down by anti-aircraft fire. The others "dropped bombs in open fields, causing no damage."

NEW SUFFRAGAN BISHOP

The King has approved the appointment of the Venerable Carey Frederick Knyvett, O.B.E., M.A., Archdeacon of Northampton and Canon of Peterborough, to the Suffragan See of Selby, in succession to the Right Reverend Harry St. John Stirling Woollcombe, D.D.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

FALLACIES ABOUT TRADE BALANCES

(By A STUDENT OF ECONOMICS.)

AMONG many illusions that have been dissipated by the economic upheavals of recent months is the popular conception that countries benefit in proportion as their exports increase and their imports diminish. For political reasons, which it would be unprofitable to examine in detail, that particular fallacy has served in a special degree to distort Eire's economic outlook. Following the advice which—rightly or otherwise—has been attributed to Dean Swift, that we "should burn everything from England except her coal," popular sentiment has bred the absurd conception that national prosperity depends on the degree in which we can induce John Bull—or some other "foreigner"—to consume our agricultural produce and to pay for it, not in goods, but in "cash." From that popular misconception came demands—some reasoned and convincing, others blind and reckless—that Eire's "industrial arm" should be developed regardless of cost and consequences. To win popular applause no appeal was more effective than a demand for the exclusion of foreign produce, and no plea more acceptable than that of an "Eloquent Dempsey" who saw national salvation in the establishment of "native" industries to supply all and sundry with everything and anything they might happen to require.

SENTIMENT

Had the driving force of such popular demands been dissipated in the hot-air of patriotic sentiment its effect might have been comparatively harmless. But—fortunately or otherwise—it invaded, and frequently dominated, the proceedings of election platforms, with the result that not a few of our legislators found themselves committed to the furtherance of projects and programmes which Ministers—however enamoured they may have been of "ourselves alone" philosophy—feel themselves compelled to resist, and not infrequently to ridicule.

Yet, so strong was the force of popular sentiment that successive Governments felt compelled to go to the utmost limits in efforts to redeem their supporters' election pledges. Behind walls of prohibitive tariffs and positive prohibitions of imports they built a new economic structure—reasonably sound in some of its details, flimsy and unstable in many others, but, nevertheless, the kind of edifice that, in theory, was designed to cut down the quantities and values of our imports. Yet the "foreigner" managed to turn the scales. Import values increased more rapidly than those of exports. "Adverse" balances of international trade, instead of disappearing, rose to higher levels. To strike yearly balances it became necessary to "repatriate capital" by selling external investments.

EXTERNAL INVESTMENTS

Such realisations of foreign securities gave quite legitimate satisfaction to certain groups of economists. Capital transferred from foreign securities had begun to trickle back into native industrial enterprises and public utility undertakings. Patriotic sentiment was strong enough to outweigh many considerations of convenience, quality and price. The mouth of the gift horse of native produce could only be examined by enemies of the Irish race! The acme of patriotism was to get John Bull's cash for a bullock or a barrel of stout. To take a ton of his coal or a roll of his cloth in exchange was evidence of anti-national sentiment.

TRADE IS BARTER

That, in round numbers, was the popular economic outlook until the exigencies of the war began to demonstrate the old truth that modern trade is but a concealed and complicated form of barter. Slowly and painfully we awoke to the fact that exchange of goods and services was the foundation of commerce and economic stability. In order to sell we were compelled to buy. Making the discovery that most of life's necessities and comforts came to us in exchange for surplus supplies of our own produce, we began to be anxious about supplies of fuel for our firesides, machinery and raw materials for our factories, and the hundred and one items whose availability had been taken for granted. Means for overseas transport by which to market our produce—complacently accepted as part of the settled machinery of commerce — became matters of deepening concern. A new kind of "economic war" had developed and demands a new economic strategy. The apostles of self-sufficiency no longer hold undisputed sway. In order to sell they have awakened to the fact that we must buy. But, unfortunately, many of the things now most urgently required have ceased to be available. Fuel supplies have become hazardous. Tens of thousands of motor vehicles may soon be rendered useless for lack of petrol and oil imports. Prices of imports have risen much more sharply than the export values of our marketable produce. Almost everything we find it necessary to buy from "the foreigner" is threatened either to reach prohibitive prices or to become unprocurable at any cost!

TRADE BALANCES

And withal, the wheel of trade balances has begun to come full circle. From our inability to buy there comes the paradox of increasingly "favourable" balances of international trade. A year ago the problem of "patriotic" economists was to discover domestic outlets for capital invested abroad. To square the desired circle, in which rising exports and diminishing imports automatically increased our external investments, presented the problem to which no answer has yet been forthcoming. To-day that problem assumes new proportions. Patriotic sentiment unites with considerations of self-preservation to demand increases of our purchases from abroad. Meanwhile our long-desired "favourable" balances of trade automatically swell our external investments. Estimated on the basis of the latest returns of trade statistics, issued by the Department of Industry and Commerce, the present rate of increase seems to be in the vicinity of something like £15 millions yearly. £15 millions which we would willingly be recouped for in imported commodities could they be procured!

SELF-SUFFICIENCY

If such be the facts, we may now inquire whether anything of substantial value remains to credit of the account of the apostles of self-sufficiency and economic war? Is not one result of their activities the existence of domestic industries, without which our supplies of necessities and comforts would be even more restricted? In terms of immediate needs, or of future stability and progress, is there not much to be said in favour of a policy which involves immediate sacrifices in order that a healthy economic balance—reasonable self-sufficiency in peace or war conditions—may be achieved? To such questions no ready-made and convincing answers can be given. All that can be said with confidence at the present juncture is that new and invaluable lessons—the foundations of a new, wider and clearer economic outlook—are being taken to heart from present disagreeable experience. Before peace returns we may have many reasons to be a sadder—and, let us hope, a much wiser—people!

MR. BEVIN'S MESSAGE TO POLAND

Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Minister of Labour and National Service, in a New Year broadcast to the people of Poland, said—"The British people will never forget the heroic struggle of the Polish people. The British workpeople are standing up to the enemy attack on their cities with a firm resolve that Hitler and his gang shall not pass.

"Be not discouraged: the day of deliverance is not far off. Each day and each effort is bringing us nearer the victorious goal."

ITALY'S WAR MATERIAL

WIDE POWERS GIVEN TO MINISTER

The Italian Minister of Guilds, Ritti, became a virtual dictator over Italy's war material to-night, says Associated Press in a message last night.

By a decree published in the Official Gazette he will have control over the distribution of war material, with powers similar to those given on Sunday to the Minister of Agriculture, Passiranis.

His Ministry will apportion raw materials among industrial concerns according to the country's war needs, and determine the products which must be given to the army and those which can be used for the civilian needs. Power has been given to him to ration industrial products and any non-foodstuffs which he sees fit.

Ritti, who has been assured of military backing, will have existing penal measures interpreted in a manner which will suit his decisions. This point was indicated in the law which automatically set aside any previous conflicting legislation.

BRITISH TOLD TO "KEEP AT IT"

MR. MORRISON'S MESSAGE

Mr. Herbert Morrison, British Minister of Home Security, in a message to civil defence services, says: "Once I told the workers in the factories to 'Go to it.' I said to them later—and I say now to their comrades in the civil defence services in the front line of the battle for freedom—'Keep at it.'

"To the thousands of men and women who comprise this new arm of defence I cannot promise a release or respite from the arduous and self-imposed obligations until our assured victory has removed the menace of the air. I can, however, offer them with complete confidence the regard and esteem of their fellow-citizens, whose lives or sufferings will be spared, whose homes will be saved by their courage and efficiency."

FEMALE WRITING ASSISTANTS.
Oral and Postal Classes working for next Exam.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, Dublin.
—(Advt.)

LOUTH CHARGE OF CONSPIRACY

Accused Man Gives Evidence

THE trial of Oliver Nixon, a taxi-driver, of MacSwiney street, Dundalk, by a Military Court, sitting in Collins Barracks, on a charge of conspiracy, with other persons, to murder John Quinn, a lorry driver, of Newtown, Balregan, Dundalk, was continued yesterday.

At the conclusion of the evidence for the defence, the Court adjourned until this morning.

PRESIDENT'S ADVICE

Quinn, whose evidence was taken by the Court in Louth County Infirmary on the previous day, was wounded three times by revolver bullets at Castletown, near Dundalk, on the night of November 20th, when he pulled up his lorry close to a private car which had been parked on the side of the road and which was driven away towards Dundalk immediately after the shooting.

The car, which later was discovered to be a taxi, was driven by Nixon, whose defence was that he was not aware of the intentions of the men, who had "commandeered" it at the point of the gun, until the shots were fired; that he never was a member of an illegal organisation and that he only knew Quinn by sight.

A Garda sergeant, who yesterday stated that from the point where Quinn was found to MacSwiney street, where the defendant lived, was a two-minute drive in a car, told Mr. D. O'Hagan, who appeared for the defence, that as far as he knew there never had been any suggestion of lawlessness against the Nixon family, who were most respectable, and that a brother of the prisoner was a member of the Defence Forces. He added that he never had heard any suggestion that the defendant was a member of an illegal organisation.

CYCLIST'S EVIDENCE

Owen McLann, who was cycling towards Dundalk on the night of November 20th, stated that he was passed by a slow-moving large blue-coloured car of whose registration number the first figure was 9. There were three or four fellows in the car, which turned when it reached the Coffin Bridge and went back the way it had come, and later he passed it drawn up on the side of the road without lights. When returning from Dundalk still later he found a man lying in the ditch moaning, and there was a lorry on the side of the road with the engine running and the lights on. Prior to reaching the spot he met the car that he had noticed before, and it was being driven fast.

Another cyclist, named Laurence McArdle, testified that he was passed by a large car on his way out from Dundalk, and later he came to the spot where Quinn was lying.

A Civic Guard who made a streicher for the wounded man, stated that Quinn when asked what was wrong replied "I'm shot."

Bernard Hayes said that at 9.10 p.m., on November 20th, after the shooting, he was speaking to the accused man. Nixon was then in his car in the taxi rank. He was alone in the car and there were about three cars before him in the rank.

WHAT CAR OWNER SAW

Patrick Haughan, car owner, Dundalk, said that one of his cars was a blue Dodge, registered ZA 9211. Nixon was driving the latter car on November 20th. There was no rule as to the order in which taxis were taken from the stand. When he was going to the pictures that night he saw his car, driven by Nixon, going off the stand in the direction of Earl street. He kept it under observation for about sixty yards. He had a side view of the car at first, but did not see if there was anyone in it. If anyone had been leaning forward from the back seat holding anything to Nixon's head he thought he would have seen such a person.

He saw Nixon at noon the following day and asked him if he was on the job the night before. He said no; that he went up to Russell's to collect an account that Mr. Russell owed him. The witness asked if he got it, and Nixon said he did not. The witness then told him that he had seen the car pulling off the stand at about 8.20 or 8.30. Nixon then said that a man had got into the back of the car and told him to drive up Park street, where two other men had got in; that they drove out towards Castletown, where two men got out and shot Quinn. He said that he had remained in the car with one of the men.

The witness said that he should have reported the matter to the Guards, and Nixon said he had been threatened that if he said anything about it he would be shot. He said that he had not been paid for the job and that the men said they would come to the stand and pay him the following night.

ALLEGED ADMISSION

A Civic Guard sergeant stated that when Nixon denied that he had stopped the lorry he told the defendant that the description of the man who had done it tallied with him, and that he might be picked out at an identification parade. The defendant then said that he did stop the lorry; that the men in the car told him to get out, and he did as he was told—he put up his hand as the lorry was approaching and brought it to a stop.

When the State case closed, Mr. O'Hagan, asking for a direction, said that it had been proved that Quinn had been shot in a manner which did not appeal to any of them, and which he personally, and on behalf of Nixon, deplored, and that it was Nixon's car that had driven the men to the scene of the crime. No evidence that Nixon had been a party to the shooting, or that he had conspired with anyone had been produced, and there was nothing to prove that even if he voluntarily accompanied those men to the scene, he had gone there knowing that they intended to murder a man.

After a consultation the Court held that there was a case to be answered.

THE DEFENCE

ACCUSED MAN'S EVIDENCE

Opening the defence, Mr. O'Hagan said that Nixon was only 20 years of age, and a member of a respectable family that had resided in Dundalk for thirty years. With the exception of that part in which he said that he put up his hand to stop the lorry, what was in his statement was absolute truth. He never had been in trouble, even in the Civil Courts, and it was absolutely foreign to his family tradition to be involved in such an affair.

Oliver Nixon, giving evidence in his defence, corroborated the statements made to the police, a which he told how a man got into the back of his taxi, told him to start up and drive away and keep looking ahead, and later, sacking what he thought was a gun in the back of his neck, informed him that he was commandeered for a job. He described how two other men got into the car at the American Plantation in the Demesne, and how one of them said: "Did the other man not come"; and another replied: "No. He must be working." When they were passing through Church street he thought they were referring to this man when one of the men said: "He might be in Harrison's." The defendant then described how he drove out the Castletown road, and how when passing the cottages one passenger said: "He lives in one of those"; and another suggested: "Ought we not go up and knock at the door and see if he is in" which brought the reply: "No; that would be too exposed."

After the car had been stationary on the road for some time, and as Quinn's lorry was approaching, the man in the back of the car ordered him to get out and put up his hand. With one leg on the road and the other on the running-board, he put up his hand and the lorry stopped. The man in the back of the car then ordered him to start the engine, and he heard two or three shots and the men outside saying, excitedly: "Open the door." On the way back to Dundalk the men said to him: "Don't, for the sake of your life, tell anybody about it, not even the man who owns the car." The reason he asked the men for the money was because he did not know how to explain his absence from the square. He did not tell the Guards because he was afraid. He had given the police the best description he could of the men. He never spoke to Quinn in his life, and he never was a member of any organisation; and when he left the square that night he did not know that they intended to shoot a man. The reason he had refrained from telling the police that he had held up his hand when the lorry was coming was because he thought that it would involve him in it.

Cross-examined by Mr. J. A. McCarthy, K.C., who, with Mr. G. D. Murnaghan (instructed by Mr. I. O'Donovan, Chief State Solicitor's Office), prosecuted, he said that prior to making the statement to the police he had not thought about what he was going to say because he was too nervous. He could not give any reason why he should have been selected from about ten cars on the rank except it was that he was new on the job.

Further questioned by Mr. McCarthy, Nixon said that after he had told Mr. Haughan about the incident on the previous night he asked him what he should do, and Mr. Haughan said he could not tell him what to do.

"A SERIOUS CASE"

After Mr. McCarthy had asked further questions, the President of the Court said to Nixon—"I do not think you realise how serious this case is. I think you ought to be a little more candid in your replies to counsel, for it is a very serious matter for you."

Mr. McCarthy asked Nixon had he any idea what kind of a "job" the man was commandeering him to do, and he replied that he thought it might have something to do with ammunition or that they would take the car from him when they got out into the country. When he saw the lorry stopping he came to the conclusion that the men were going to beat someone up.

President—Can you suggest how Quinn's lorry came to be identified?

Witness—No. I was ordered out of the car when it was about fifty yards away.

President—The Court has heard your explanation as to why you did not report this matter when you came back to Dundalk that night. Can you give them any further explanation now?—Only that I was scared.

A member of the Court asked Nixon why he did not tell his father about it, and he replied that he did not like to worry him. He did not mention it to his father or mother, or any member of the family.

Max Hesse, former proprietor of the Dundalk Laundry, said that the accused's father had been employed by that firm for about thirty years. The accused, himself, had also worked in it as a messenger boy, and had left to take up a better position. He had never the slightest fault to find with either of them.

Mr. James Coburn, T.D., said he knew the Nixon family for about thirty years, and they were of a very high character. He had never heard the slightest thing against the accused man's reputation.

This concluded the evidence for the defence, and the Court adjourned until this morning, when Mr. O'Hagan will address it.

PORT OF DUBLIN SEA SCOUTS

At the monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Port of Dublin Sea Scouts' Association, at 12 Eden quay, it was announced that an excellent site had been secured for the headquarters of the 3rd Port (Dalkey) Troop.

Future meetings of the Executive Committee will be held at 23 Eden quay, by permission of Mr. R. G. Quirk, who presided.

CHRISTENING AT FETHARD

"THERE'S A BIG ONE!"—Little fishermen on the Grand Canal bank.

Lady Charles Cavendish with guests at her estate children's party at Lismore Castle.

A BECTIVE PLAYER in possession against Clontarf during yesterday's schoolboys' Rugby match at Donnybrook.

AT THE MEET on St. Stephen's Day at Lucan of the South Dublin Harriers: Mrs. Wilson, the Dean of St. Patrick's and the Belgian Minister (M. Maurice Goor). Top (left): Miss Eileen O'Connor and Miss Roisin Sheehan.

FATHER CHRISTMAS giving a gift to a little outpatient at yesterday's party at the Adelaide Hospital.

A GROUP taken at the christening of Clare and Stella, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Delmege at Fethard Parish Church. In the picture are Mrs. Delmege, the Hon. and Mrs. Gerald Wellesley (godparents), Mrs. Jameson and Miss Delmege.

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CORPORATION STOCK BARTERED

NEW 4½ PER CENT. ISSUE TO YIELD £500,000

The Dublin Corporation at a special meeting yesterday unanimously passed a resolution approving of the exchange, by agreement with the holders, of Dublin Corporation 3½ per cent. Redeemable Stock, 1944, for Dublin Corporation 4½ per cent. Redeemable Stock, 1955-77, and the consequent creation of the latter stock to an amount calculated to yield £500,000, plus necessary expenses.

A statement from Mr. P. J. Hernon, City Manager, mentioned that the amount of 3½ per cent. Redeemable Stock outstanding at present is £620,000. This is redeemable on 1st January, 1944, at par. A circular was recently sent to the stockholders informing them that the Corporation would be prepared to issue in exchange for their holdings an equal amount of Dublin Corporation 4½ per cent Redeemable Stock, 1955-1977. Stockholders were asked to indicate their willingness to exchange on the terms set out, and 425 stockholders had expressed their desire to avail themselves of the offer. The amount of their holdings was somewhat less than half-a-million pounds. It was, therefore, proposed to make the necessary transfers in the books of the registrars by the cancellation of 3½ per cent. Redeemable Stock and the incorporation of an equivalent amount of Dublin Corporation 4½ per cent. Redeemable Stock in the case of the above stockholders. In order to carry this out it would be necessary to pass a resolution for the creation and issue of 4½ per cent. Redeemable Stock to yield £500,000, plus necessary expenses.

Mr. Sean Milroy proposed and Alderman P. S. Doyle, T.D., seconded a resolution to that effect.

Mr. J. Larkin asked why was it necessary, in these times, to give stockholders this extra one per cent. Britain, with her expenditure of eleven millions a day, could get money at 2½ and 3½ per cent. In the North of Ireland they had subscribed six million pounds to war funds. Yet here in the twenty-six counties, where they boasted so much of their loyalty to the State, the Corporation had to buy money at this high price.

Mr. J. J. Byrne said that it had been the intention to issue the stock a half per cent. higher, but they decided to issue it at 4½ per cent. They were doing very well.

Mr. Hernon, City Manager, said that £100 per share would have to be paid in 1944 on the 3½ Redeemable Stock. It was a good financial proposition to make this transfer now, as it would provide a sinking fund for more housing activities.

The resolution was passed.

The Lord Mayor (Mrs. T. Clarke) presided.

NEW QUOTA ORDERS

Orders under the Control of Imports Act have been made by the Government in respect of the following:—

Cotton piece goods, for bed sheets, etc., and for shirts or pyjamas (1st February to 31st July next)—150,000 square yards, of which 148,000 square yards shall be manufactured in Great Britain, Northern Ireland or Canada.

Cotton piece goods which are terry (1st February to 30th April)—90,000 square yards, of which 89,000 square yards shall be manufactured in Great Britain, Northern Ireland or Canada.

Cotton piece goods, for shirts or pyjamas (1st February to 31st July)—400,000 square yards, of which 396,000 square yards shall be manufactured in Great Britain, Northern Ireland or Canada.

Cotton piece goods other than terry, bed sheetings, etc. (1st February to 31st July)—20,000,000 square yards, of which 19,800,000 square yards shall be manufactured in Great Britain, Northern Ireland or Canada.

CHILDREN'S PARTIES IN HOSPITALS

THE ADELAIDE

About 120 children out-patients were entertained at a party in the Adelaide Hospital, Dublin, yesterday, and received presents. The party was organised by the sisters and nursing staff, who were helped by members of the medical staff and students. Nurses and students in costume made fun for the children, and a cinematograph show was put on by Mr. Charles Jones and Mr. Cecil Jeffries. The gifts were distributed by "Santa Claus" after the children had been given tea.

Among those who helped were Mr. K. Swanepoele, Mr. D. Brennan, Mr. S. McColum, Miss Watson and Mr. T. Killen.

SIR PATRICK DUN'S

At Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital about 200 children were entertained, and a very successful concert was the feature of the afternoon. The children sang songs in chorus, and many of them contributed solos and duets. The music was supplied by Miss K. Corrigan at the piano. The party was organised by Miss M. Brennan, lady almoner; Sister Deery and members of the nursing staff. A film was lent by Messrs. Kodak, Ltd., for the occasion, and was greatly enjoyed. The funds and fare for the party were subscribed mainly by traders who deal with the hospital and some members of the board.

Among those who helped were Miss Boland, a member of the board; Miss Maguire and Miss Brook-Tyrrell. Gifts of fruit were given to the children when they were leaving.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—The Circumcision, New Year's Day. Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel at 8 and 11 a.m. Matins at 10 o'clock. Psalms, 92. Chant, 67. Urbs Fortitudinis, 84. Anthem, "God so loved the world." Gloria. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Men's voices. Psalm, 81. Chant, 6. Magnificat. Nunc Dimittis, Garrett in B flat. "In dulci jubilo." Carol.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—Circumcision, New Year's Day. Matins at 11 o'clock. Full Choir. Venite, 263. Psalms, 92 (266). 121 (368). Te Deum, William Boyce (1710-1779) in C. Benedictus, 88. Holy Communion. Introit, "Lord, Thou hast been our refuge." Ernest Walker. Kyrie, Credo, Arthur Somervell in F. Preacher, Rev. Robert J. Ross, B.A., Headmaster of the Grammar School. Hymns during Offertory, 550. Evensong at 3 o'clock. Full Choir. Proper Psalms, 81 (256, 237), 90 (264, 265). Magnificat. Nunc Dimittis, John Clarke-Whitfeld (1770-1836) in F. "Anthem, "Behold! a Virgin shall conceive." G. F. Handel (1685-1759).

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH. — 8, Holy Communion. 10.30, Morning Prayer and Litany. 11, Holy Communion. 5, Intercession. 8, Evensong.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, Donnybrook. — 8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Canon Powell. 8.15 p.m., Intercession Service.

ST. PHILIP'S PARISH CHURCH, Temple road.—New Year's Day (Feast of the Circumcision), 8 a.m., Holy Communion. 11.15, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, Lower Leeson street.—The Church's Ministry of Healing. Holy Communion at 9 a.m. Healing Service, with Laying-on of Hands and address, at 3 o'clock.

ST. PHILIP AND ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, Rodersiown.—8.15 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, 3.30, and 7, The Rector.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH. — Feast of the Circumcision, 11.30, Holy Communion. Rev. R. Northridge.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, Dublin, Lower Baggot street (a branch church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.) Services Sunday, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday, Testimony Meeting, 8 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room (same address) open daily from 12 noon.

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THE King, in his list of New Year Honours, includes men and women, in all walks of life—in aircraft, shipbuilding and arms production, civil defence, journalism, railways, trade unions, sport, art, music, theatre and science.

The present list, the eighth of the King's reign, includes one Viscount, four Barons, three Baronets, two Privy Councillors, one Knight of the Garter, one Order of Merit, three Companions of Honour, and 29 Knights, excluding those overseas.

Lord Camrose, editor-in-chief of the *Daily Telegraph* becomes a Viscount, and Mr. J. L. Garvin, editor of the *Observer*, and Mr. Arthur Henry Mann, late editor of the *Yorkshire Post*, becomes Companions of Honour.

The new Knight of the Garter is the Duke of Devonshire.

Professor Gilbert Murray receives the Order of Merit.

Women figure prominently in the list, four becoming Dames Commander of the British Empire. They are:—Miss Irene Vanbrugh (Mrs. Dion Boucicault), who is honoured "for services to the stage"; Stella Dowager Marchioness of Reading, Chairman of the Women's Voluntary Services for Civil Defence; Raniera Lady Stanley, "for public and social welfare services in Southern

General Sir Edmund Ironside.

Rhodesia," and Viscountess Craigavon, widow of the late Prime Minister of Northern Ireland.

Painting is represented by Mr. Frank Brangwyn, R.A.; music by Dr. George Dyson, Director of the Royal College of Music, and science by Professor William Lawrence Bragg, all of whom receive Knighthoods.

The list also includes a large number of naval and Royal Air Force awards.

The following were among the principal awards:—

BARONS.

LORD HUGH RICHARDS HEATHCOTE CECIL—For public services.

FIELD-MARSHAL SIR (WILLIAM) EDMUND IRONSIDE, G.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Chief of the Imperial General Staff, 1939-40.

SIR ROBERT MOLESWORTH KINDERSLEY, G.B.E., President of the National Savings Committee.

SIR (FRANK) BOYD MERRIMAN, O.B.E., President of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division of the High Court of Justice.

PRIVY COUNCILLORS.

COLONEL DOUGLAS CLIFTON BROWN, J.P., D.L., M.P., Deputy-Chairman of Committees in the House of Commons.

SIR WALTER JAMES WOMERSLEY, J.P., M.P., Minister of Pensions.

BARONETS.

SIR WILLIAM GEORGE COXEN, lately Lord Mayor of London.

SIR KENNETH LEE—For Public services.

MR. HUGH LETT, C.B.E., M.B., Ch.B., President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

KNIGHTS BACHELOR.

Among the Knights Bachelor are:—

GEORGE ABBIS, Assistant Commissioner, Metropolitan Police.

ALDERMAN JAMES HENRY SUTHERLAND, Aitken, Chairman, Lancashire Education Committee.

PETER FREDERICK BLAKER BENNETT, Past President of the Federation of British Industries; lately Director-General of Tanks and Transport in the Ministry of Supply.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE BRAGG, Cavendish Professor of Experimental Physics in the University of Cambridge.

F. BRANGWYN, R.A., LL.D.—For services to art.

ALFRED WILLIAM BROWN, LL.D., Principal Assistant Solicitor, Office O.H.M., Procurator-General and Treasury Solicitor.

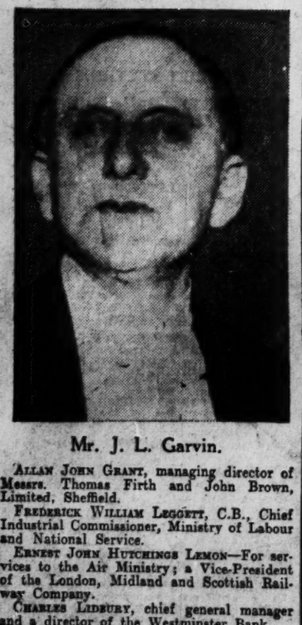
ARTHUR LEWIS DIXON, Assistant Under-Secretary of State, Home Office.

PATRICK JOSEPH DOLLAN, Lord Provost of Glasg.

CHARLES DOUGHTY, K.C.—For services to and Ministry of Labour and National Service, and to the Ministry of Pensions.

GEORGE DYSON, Director of the Royal College of Music.

WILLIAM JOHN GICK, Adviser to the Fourth Sea Lord on Supplies, and lately Director of Stores, Admiralty.



Mr. J. L. Garvin.

ALLAN JOHN GRANT, managing director of Messrs. Thomas Firth and John Brown, Limited, Sheffield.

FREDERICK WILLIAM LEGGETT, C.B., Chief Industrial Commissioner, Ministry of Labour and National Service.

ERNEST JOHN HUTCHINGS LEMON—For services to the Air Ministry; a Vice-President of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company.

CHARLES LIDSBURY, chief general manager and a director of the Westminster Bank.

FRANK SPENCER SPRIGGS, Managing Director of the Hawker-Siddeley Aircraft Company, President, Society of British Aircraft Constructo.. Limited

WILLIAM BRUCE THOMAS, K.C., President of the Railway Rates Tribunal.

JOHN SEALY EDWARD TOWNSEND, F.R.S., Wykeham Professor of Physics in the University of Oxford.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL JULIAN MAYNE YOUNG, Chief Divisional Food Officer for London and the Home Counties.

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INDIAN LIBERALS' OPINION

CALCUTTA, Tuesday.

Confidence in victory was voiced by the National Liberal Federation when it met here to-day and called on the Indian people to support the prosecution of the war wholeheartedly.

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad said that, by supporting Britain, India would not be obliging Britain, but obliging herself. The Federation's resolution re-affirmed sympathy with, and confidence in, the victory of the victims of Totalitarian aggression, and deep appreciation of the heroic efforts of Britain and the countries associated with her.

The Federation called on the Indian people to give their wholehearted support in the prosecution of the war, but it was, at the same time, felt that the requisite effort on the part of India was not forthcoming in the absence of a change of policy towards India.

NEW YEAR IN DUBLIN

A MILDER GREETING

The New Year was greeted somewhat less boisterously than usual this morning in Dublin. There were, however, many people on the streets at midnight—some greeted the New Year, heralded by the chiming bells of clocks, with cheers; others contented themselves with a quiet greeting of good wishes to their companions.

A few railway engines whistled their greeting to 1941, a few other hooters soundly mildly, and soon afterwards the peal of bells from Christ Church Cathedral told Dublin citizens that the year had begun.

Watchnight Services were held in many of the city churches.

KNIGHT OF THE ORDER OF THE GARTER.

EDWARD WILLIAM SPENCER, Duke of Devonshire.

ORDER OF THE BATH.

Knight Grand Cross (Military).

GENERAL SIR CHARLES BONHAM-CARTER, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., retired pay, Colonel The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, Aide-de-Camp General to the King.

Knights Commander (Military).

PAYMASTER REAR-ADMIRAL DAVID SYDNEY LAMBERT.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL GEORGE JAMES GIFFARD, C.B., D.S.O., late The Queen's Royal Regiment (West Surrey).

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL ROBERT HAROLD CARRINGTON, C.B., D.S.O., Colonel Commandant, Royal Artillery, Governor of Edinburgh Castle.

Knights Commander (Civil).

THE HON. SIR ALEXANDER MONTAGU GEORGE CADOGAN, Permanent Under-Secretary of State, Foreign Office.

CHARLES NORTHRUP MCLAREN, Director-General of Ordnance Factories, Ministry of Supply.

ARCHIBALD ROWLANDS, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Aircraft Production.

SIR ARTHUR WILLIAM STREET, Permanent Under-Secretary of State, Air Ministry.

ORDER OF ST. MICHAEL AND ST. GEORGE.

Knights Grand Cross.

SIR HAROLD ALFRED MACMICHAEL, High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief for Palestine and High Commissioner for Transjordan.

THE RT. HON. SIR ROBERT LESLIE CRAIGIE, His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Tokyo.

ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER.

Knights Commanders.

SIR ULICK ROLAND BURKE (dated 5th July, 1939).

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL WALTER GORDON NEALE, C.I.E., C.V.O.

COMPANIONS OF HONOUR.

JAMES LOUIS GARVIN, LL.D., Litt.D., Editor of *The Observer*.

WILLIAM MORRIS HUGHES, D.C.L., LL.D., K.C., Minister for the Navy, and Attorney-General, Commonwealth of Australia.

Lady Craigavon.

ARTHUR HENRY MANN, lately Editor of the *Yorkshire Post*.

ORDER OF BRITISH EMPIRE.

Knights Grand Cross (Civil).

SIR THOMAS ROBERT GARDINER, Director-General of the Post Office, lately Joint-Secretary, Ministry of Home Security.

DAMES COMMANDERS.

IRENE, MRS. DION BOUCICAULT (Miss Irene Vanbrugh), for services to the stage.

CECIL MARY NOWELL DERING, VISCOUNTESS CRAIGAVON.

STELLA DOWAGER MARCHIONESS OF READING, Chairman, Women's Voluntary Services for for Civil Defence.

RENIERA LADY STANLEY, for public and social welfare services in Southern Rhodesia.

O.B.E. (CIVIL).

CAPTAIN FRANCIS JOHN PHILLIPS, R.A.F. (retired), Controller and Air Raid Precautions Officer, Southampton.

MISS WINIFRED FLORENCE BOYD-ROCHFORT, Matron of St. Dunstan's.

CAPTAIN JOHN CECIL KELLY-ROGERS, Captain, British Overseas Airways Corporation.

HERBERT MARSTON WEBB, M.C., City Engineer and Air Raid Precautions Controller, Bristol.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

The King has given orders for the appointments to the Distinguished Service Order, and approved various awards for "outstanding zeal, patience and cheerfulness, and for never failing to set an example of wholehearted devotion to duty, without which the high tradition of the Royal Navy could not have been upheld."

Among the Companions of the Distinguished Service Order is Captain the Lord Louis Francis Albert Victor Nicholas Mountbatten, Royal Navy.

The awards include two bars to the D.S.C. and columns of D.S.C.'s and D.S.M.'s.

Among many names Mentioned in Despatches is that of Rear-Admiral Sir Henry Harwood. These appointments and awards are for good services in the last six months or more of war in His Majesty's battleships, battle cruisers, aircraft carriers, cruisers, armed merchant cruisers, destroyers, submarines, merchant ships, and other craft.

SOME NORTHERN NAMES

An O.B.E. (Civil Division) is conferred upon Mr. James Taylor, Assistant Secretary to the Northern Ireland Ministry of Agriculture, and formerly Assistant Secretary to the Northern Ireland Cabinet.

Other honours conferred are:—

M.B.E.—Miss Florence Harrison, Northern Ireland Ministry of Home Affairs, Stormont, Belfast; Mr. Robert B. Lyttle, Lisachrin, Garvagh, County Londonderry.

KING'S POLICE MEDAL — Constable Hugh Davidson, Royal Ulster Constabulary, Cullyhanna, County Armagh, and Sergeant Brian T. A. Martin, Royal Ulster Constabulary, Crossmaglen, County Armagh.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL—Head Constable James Campbell, Royal Ulster Con... Donegall Pass, Belfast.

OBITUARY

DR. W. M. A. WRIGHT

The death of Dr. W. M. A. Wright, "Ulverton," Dalkey, Co. Dublin, took place on Monday last. Dr. Wright was one of the best known yachtsmen on the coast, and was one of two surviving original members of the Dublin Bay Sailing Club, which he helped to found. The other original member is Mr. Henry Falkner. Dr. Wright, who was elder son of the late Mr. T. Wright, Dalkey, was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, where he twice obtained the gold medal for Natural Science and graduated in 1873. He became a lecturer in the College, and some years later began private practice in Dalkey. For over fifty years he was dispensary doctor for the Ballybrack, Dalkey, Killiney and Carrickmines districts. In 1886 Dr. Wright helped to found the Dublin Bay Sailing Club, which has become one of the foremost clubs of its kind in the country. He raced regularly and with great success in different classes, and his boats became well known. One of his first boats was the Omadhaun, of the Colleen class, with which he was successful, and later he owned the Deilginish, a seventeen-footer. His last boat, which he steered during the season of 1938, was the Geraldine, a twenty-one-footer which was top of her class last season, when she was steered by Dr. Wright's son, Dr. Robin Wright. Dr. Wright was also a prominent member of the Royal Irish Yacht Club and a member of the sailing committee of the Royal Alfred Yacht Club. In the organisation of regattas and in anything connected with yachting Dr. Wright took the keenest interest, and his loss will be felt among yachtsmen in the various Dublin Bay clubs. He took an active part in yachting affairs up to a short while ago, and attended the last meeting of the Dublin Bay Sailing Club. He also was attending to patients up to two weeks ago. Dr. Wright, whose wife died some time ago, is survived by six sons and two daughters.

MR. W. S. ARMOUR

The death of Mr. William S. Armour, M.B.E., M.A., D.Litt., Oxon, Barrister-at-Law, the eldest son of the late Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Armour, Ballymoney, Co. Antrim, took place yesterday at Clay Lane Farm, Great Marlow, Bucks, after a long illness. He was educated at Campbell College, Belfast. Having taken a degree in Classics in the Royal University of Ireland, he went to Jesus College, Oxford, in 1903, and was President of the Oxford Union in 1907. He entered the Indian Educational Service in 1910, and resigned in 1920, because of disagreement with some of the chief features of the Montagu-Chelmsford reform proposals. During the Great War he edited the *United Provinces War Journal*, and later wrote a history of the Great War of 1914-18, half a million copies of which were sold in India. After his resignation he returned to Ireland to be near his parents and settled in Belfast. He was a pioneer of the Toc H movement, and also the founder of the Young Farmers' Clubs in Northern Ireland, and was largely responsible for founding the Belfast Newsboys' Club. From September, 1928, to May, 1930, he was editor of the *Northern Whig*, Belfast. He married Miss Ruth Montgomery, daughter of the founder of the Shankill Road Mission, Belfast, the Very Rev. Dr. Henry Montgomery, and later removed to London. At the outbreak of the present war he was attached to the Ministry of Information. During his residence in London he wrote several books, including "Armour of Ballymoney," a biography of his father; "Facing the Irish Question," "Mankind at the Watershed," and "Ulster, Ireland and Britain." Previously he had contributed numerous articles to *The Times*.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CHURCH MUSIC

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It was a source of much gratification to many, who, like myself, were privileged to be present at the Consecration of our new Archbishop, that you gave so much of your valuable space and prominence to the musical side of the ceremony.

As the Mass was a "Low Mass," the music was, in consequence, for the most part incidental, and one regretted that there was not more of it. The music heard, and so effectively performed by a choir of priests, under the conductorship of Father John Fennelly, was chosen with loving care and supreme artistic judgment. The items were varied and comprehensive in character, including not only Plain Chant, but also some very fine hymns, and a number of excellently harmonised pieces by modern, as well as ancient, composers. The choir's exquisitely sensitive rendering of the lovely Plain Chant Offertory piece "*Justus ut palma florebit*" will live in my memory as a model performance. The singers showed a like sensitiveness to phrase, climax, and nuance in the harmonised pieces. Their singing seemed, like all inspired art, effortless; they seemed to get to the heart, the inner core of each piece, and the music lived and glowed.

The reason for this letter is not to add my small voice to the pæans of praise from all quarters about the profound impressiveness of this majestic ceremony, but to appeal for some arrangement by which frequent opportunities of hearing this beautiful choir might be made possible. All that is needed would be performances on the great religious festivals, supplemented by broadcasting. The outcome of such performances would not only spread a knowledge of the incomparably beautiful music of the Catholic Church and ultimately bring about a renaissance in singing in our Church choirs, but would have a tremendous influence—I cannot imagine a greater one—in raising and forming the taste for good music generally amongst our people.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN F. LARCHET.

8 St. Mary's road, Ballsbridge, Dublin.

CIGARETTE TINS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The National Blood Transfusion Service wishes to thank the many kind people who left in cigarette tins at 20 Merrion square.

We have now an ample supply, indeed the Ashtown Tin Box Company, Sweet Afton and Wills's Tobacco Companies have been extremely generous in their supply of boxes.

At the moment we have more than enough boxes, but we may call upon our friends at a later date.—Yours, etc.,

THOS. C. J. O'CONNELL,
Area Director.

The Irish Red Cross Society, National Blood Transfusion Service, 20 Merrion square, N., Dublin,
December 30th, 1940.

"NEVER WERE WE IN SUCH DANGER"

APPEAL OF PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY

Dr. F. C. Ward, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Local Government, speaking at Mullaghunshinagh, Inniskeen, said that the people would not be lacking in their duty to defend the country from attack, no matter from what source.

"I appeal to you to join some branch of the Defence Force," said Dr. Ward. "History will deal very harshly with the men who stand back to-day. Never in our history were we in such danger, and if for some small reason people hold back, they will live to regret it."

"There are people who say: 'What is the use; we cannot fight, we have not aeroplanes or the necessary mechanised forces to fight any great belligerent.' To such people my answer is 'we can fight.'"

BIG JAPANESE FORCES NEAR CANTON

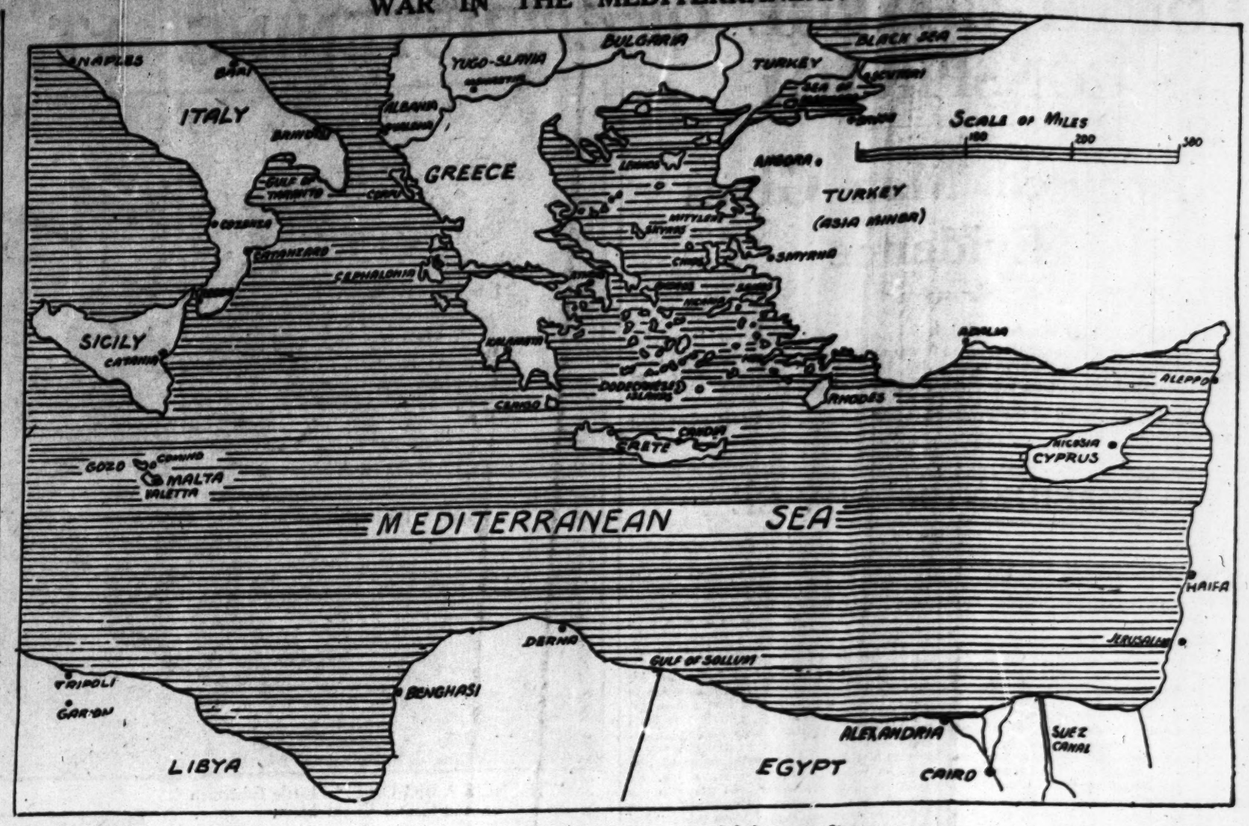
FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CHUNGKING, Tuesday.

Japanese forces are reported to be massing near the South China port of Canton in large numbers. Information from the front suggests they total between 70,000 and 80,000.

More than one hundred Japanese aircraft are said to be concentrated at Hanoi, capital of French Indo-China.

WAR IN THE MEDITERRANEAN



Theatre and coastlines of Greek and Libyan conflict.

EIGHT-POINT PEACE PROPOSAL

SENATOR SAYS U.S. "RUNNING" TO WAR

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

A peace programme in eight points, including the return of the German colonies, was put forward by Senator Burton Wheeler, a leading opponent of President Roosevelt's foreign policy, in a radio answer to the President's fireside talk.

Senator Wheeler demanded immediate peace in Europe before America became involved in the "insanity" of war. He declared that the United States was no longer just trudging along the road to war, but was now "running." What he regarded as a "working basis for a just peace" he continued in eight points, as follows:—

The restoration of Germany's 1914 boundaries, with an autonomous Poland and Czechoslovakia.

The restoration of an independent France, Holland, Norway, Belgium and Denmark.

The restoration of Alsace-Lorraine to France.

The restoration of the German colonies.

The protection of all racial and religious minorities in all countries.

The internationalisation of the Suez Canal.

No indemnities or reparations.

Arms limitation.

ROOSEVELT'S AID PLAN

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

President Roosevelt will discuss a plan for lending and leasing war equipment to Britain when he sends his annual message to Congress, it was stated by informed circles at the White House to-day.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's Private Secretary, said that he did not think Mr. Roosevelt had decided whether to go into detail or whether to handle the subject in a general manner. At any rate, he said, the entire proposal would go before Congress soon after the new session opened on January 3rd.—(Associated Press.)

NEW ZEALAND'S THANKS

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

WELLINGTON, Tuesday.

Mr. Fraser, the New Zealand Prime Minister, commenting on President Roosevelt's speech, said his "inspiring statement will hearten every believer in democracy throughout the world." After saying that the President had "performed a magnificent service by stating the issues so clearly," the Premier went on: "The influence of the United States, with its vast resources, will be thrown with still greater vigour on to the side of the British Commonwealth, and, with the aid of this great arsenal, a democratic victory over the aggressor nations is doubly assured."

PETAIN RESERVES A RIGHT

SELECTION OF MINISTERS

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL.

ZURICH, Tuesday.

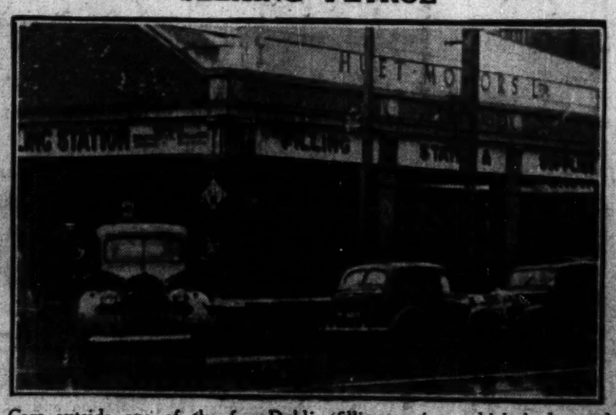
The negotiations between the Germans and the French Government have not yet been concluded, the *Neue Zuercher Zeitung* reports from Vichy. Comte de Brinon, the French Government's representative in Paris, is expected to arrive at Vichy to-night or to-morrow, it is stated, to report on the latest developments in the negotiations to a specially summoned meeting of the Cabinet there. It is possible that he is bringing the answer to Marshal Pétain's message to Herr Hitler, which was handed to the German authorities in Paris by Admiral Darlan.

In this message, it is understood, the Marshal upheld the thesis that the Armistice conditions left him full right to make whatever changes he thinks fit in his Cabinet.

Marshal Pétain, the newspaper also reports, is anxious to go to Paris if the occupation authorities are willing to accord him sufficient freedom of action to enable him to carry out his functions as head of the State there. Negotiations are continuing on this question.

Seven days after his wedding, Charles Taylor, aged 73, a retired postman, of Cotleigh road, Westhampstead, was found gassed in the house he was preparing as a future home. A verdict of suicide was returned.

SEEKING PETROL



Cars outside one of the few Dublin filling stations which had petrol supplies yesterday.

THE WHITEABBEY SANATORIUM

FURTHER EVIDENCE AT THE INQUIRY

TWO FORMER M.O.s EXAMINED

TWO doctors who were formerly medical officers at Whiteabbey Sanatorium were first witnesses examined when the Sanatorium inquiry was resumed yesterday before Mr. J. Dunlop and Dr. E. Armstrong, Inspectors of the Northern Ministry of Home Affairs.

Dr. A. McQuisten, at present a member of the medical staff at the Tuberculosis Institute, Belfast, gave evidence that he had acted as locum during a seven weeks' holiday period in 1935.

Answering Mr. S. C. Porter, K.C. (for Dr. Henrietta Scott), the witness said that Dr. Walker was away some four weeks during this time on holiday. He also said that it was usual in a sanatorium of that kind for the doctors to discuss patients with the Superintendent once a week, but there had never been any such collaboration with Dr. Walker during his term there.

In reply to Mr. H. A. McVeigh, who, with Mr. William Beattie, K.C. appeared for the Resident Medical Superintendent (Dr. Walker), the witness said that he had been asked to attend the inquiry.

Mr. Porter interrupted to say that he was also appearing for Dr McQuisten, and he had given instructions that the witness was to attend.

Mr. McVeigh—Had you been speaking to Dr. Scott about what evidence you were to give?—I don't remember. I had been talking to Dr. Scott, but not about anything specific.

Answering Mr. J. Steele (for Sister Houston), witness said he had always found Sister Houston very competent. Discipline in the wards was very good and he was completely satisfied with her work.

"TROUBLE WITH MATRON"

Dr. D. W. Wallace, who was in naval uniform, said he had been senior house physician from April, 1939, till February, 1940. He had qualified in 1933 and had considerable experience in other hospitals. He had come there at the same time as Miss Lamb, the present matron. For some months after his appointment things, so far as he was concerned, went quite well. Then trouble arose with the matron over the doctors wishing to order certain dishes for their supper which he understood had been permitted before he had come there. The matron, however, appeared to resent that.

In a further reply to Mr. Porter, Dr. Wallace said he sensed over a period that the matron and the nursing staff were not on what he would consider good terms for any hospital. They were mostly trivial matters, but in total they went to make things unpleasant all round.

Mr. Porter—Can you tell us whether the troubles were due to innovations which the matron introduced?—I could not say exactly, but I would say they were.

The troubles, added the witness, seemed to increase steadily. He had had no actual trouble with Dr. Walker, but it was one of his chief complaints that Dr. Walker did not do the rounds with him as often as he, witness, would have liked, as was the practice in other large hospitals. He felt that Dr. Walker discussed patients and treatment too infrequently for the proper care of the patients in his charge. He did not feel that he was sufficiently interested to carry out a discussion on the cases. A discussion of the patients never lasted—Dr. Walker seemed to go off on some irrelevant matter. Witness only got assistance from Dr. Walker when he pressed him for it.

CHANGED THE TREATMENT

Asked if any of his treatment had ever been countermanded by Dr. Walker, Dr. Wallace said there had been cases where he had asked Dr. Walker to approve of a line of treatment and the doctor had done so, but later on Dr. Walker had gone round and changed the treatment without consulting witness about it.

Mr. Porter—Who was that round done with?—I often saw it being done with the matron.

Was there any discussion with you afterwards about the treatment being changed?—None whatever.

He remembered two female patients in particular. In one of these cases, where there was involvement of both lungs, he thought the patient would do well with rest in bed, and Dr. Walker agreed with him to let her rest in bed for several months. Witness explained the position to the patient's people, and the girl improved rapidly. She gained something like two stones, and the signs in the chest greatly diminished. On one occasion, however, Dr. Walker did a round, not with witness, and allowed the patient up. The result was that on the following visiting day her people came to witness very worried about the patient having been allowed up, and the mother made a very embarrassing remark to the effect: "We have no confidence in Dr. Walker. Annie states he has only examined her once, and allowed her up, whereas you examined her several times, and we feel that your treatment has done her a great deal of good."

There was a second case in the women's pavilion, in which witness also prescribed a rest in bed, but it was not very long before a similar round was done by Dr. Walker, and the patient was allowed up.

WHY HE RESIGNED

The witness said the reason he had sent in his resignation was that he was not quite happy, and he was not getting satisfaction out of his treatment of cases; he was never allowed to carry out his treatment to its fulfilment, and also that he did not get adequate opportunity of discussing the cases with the medical superintendent. He resented the fact, too, that Dr. Walker's round was frequently done with the matron instead of with witness. That put witness in a very peculiar position.

Mr. Porter—Had you a pleasant time at the sanatorium?—I cannot say pleasant; otherwise I should not have resigned.

Were your relations with the matron quite friendly?—Quite friendly at the beginning; then the trouble arose over our food, but our relations were never quite so unpleasant as "not speaking."

Mr. Porter—Dr. Walker stated yesterday that the matron had informed him that Dr. Wallace had approached her and asked her to take sides against him. Is there any truth in that statement?—No; that is quite untrue.

On one occasion, witness said, he had suggested to the matron that she should try to promote a more friendly relationship with the staff, that it would be for he all-round betterment of the institution, but there was never any talk about taking sides against Dr. Walker.

In regard to Dr. Scott's appointment, witness said that Dr. Walker did not seem pleased about it at the time, and he said something to the effect that with the inexperienced officers appointed it would be impossible to carry on certain treatment.

BODY UNDER THE STAIRS

Mr. Porter asked witness about a dead body which was alleged to have been left under the stairs.

Dr. Wallace said that this incident occurred in his time. He and Dr. Ritchie considered it undesirable to leave the body in the ward all night, so they decided that the best thing to do was to put the body in a screened recess in the entrance hall until the morning. It was untrue to say that Sister Houston had caused a dead body to be retained under the stairs in the hospital. On the occasion of his and Dr. Ritchie's resignations, the Medical Officer of Health and the chairman pleaded with them to withdraw. He gave no explanation as to his reasons on that occasion for resigning, because it might have led to a lot of trouble. The result of that interview was that they agreed to withhold their resignations temporarily. During the remainder of their stay, however, there was no change in conditions in the hospital.

NOTE TAKEN OF COMPLAINTS

Mr. Warnock read a note taken by the Town Clerk of the complaints of Dr. Wallace and Dr. Ritchie at the Tuberculosis Committee in November, 1939. The note concerning Dr. Wallace read:—

"We did not feel happy in the Sanatorium. There is an atmosphere of depression about the place, mainly about food and attendance—not all there might be.

"Felt we were not being supported: lack of support was behind cause of resignation.

"Food not as good as it ought to be—no choice. Only meal we were asked for choice was evening meal. Attendance poor. Table often distastefully laid out: four slices of loaf bread only in addition to dish for evening, whatever it might be.

"Dr. Walker told us we had no right to choose. Bedrooms not always dusted; guest towels in bathroom unchanged.

"Dog allowed to run about Sanatorium and home; dog in bedroom on two occasions; eating off plate one day in the hall."

Dr. Ritchie's complaint was: "Not very happy or contented. Food not catered for in any sense; even got food which we had expressed disapproval of. In addition to initial dish, only three or four slices of loaf bread; soda bread is now on table. Hand towels in bathroom once in ten days or so. Improvement now. Dog frequenting wards; eating out of plate off which doctor served (corridor). Past week every meal scrambled egg and toast, bacon and egg."

Mr. Steele asked the witness in regard to an allegation made against Sister Houston that she had received a visit from a doctor in her room.

MATRON'S VISITORS

"Do you know," he asked, "of any visitors being received by the matron in her room at night?"

Witness—What hour?

One or two or three, and staying in her room?—Dr. Ritchie and I usually sat late in our sittingroom. We often did not go to bed until two or three. That was a very common time for us to go to bed, and the only person I have seen coming out of the matron's room at that time was Dr. Walker.

Can you say what time he went in?—I am afraid I cannot.

Can you say whether his visits were prolonged or not?—I cannot say definitely, because I didn't see him going in. I knew his footstep, and I heard what I took to be his step in the hall.

Were these visits to the matron's sittingroom frequent or infrequent?—I would say infrequent.

Would you say he left there before two or three in the morning frequently?—I would not say frequently.

MATRON AND NURSE

The matron was recalled in connection with complaints against Nurse Hillen affecting her competence. The first charge, she said, was in connection with drugs. Witness had been on sick leave, and on her return she was told by the doctor that Nurse Hillen had given two 1-12th grains of diamorphine instead of 1-25ths on three occasions. Dr. Watterson said it came to his notice from the pharmacy.

He seemed rather annoyed this had happened, and that no one had noticed it but the pharmacist. Witness thought it was a serious thing that they could not trust a trained nurse to give proper doses.

Witness decided that the superintendent should be told. The superintendent said he thought they had better see Dr. Thompson. They got everyone involved in the superintendent's office, and Dr. Walker gave them quite a lecture.

He then reported it to Dr. Thompson. Dr. Walker told Nurse Hillen that she was not to administer any more drugs. A notice was also put up that no drug was to be administered except checked by two people. He had now adopted a method by which the pharmacist made a weekly check. Nurse Hillen had stated that the doctor had told her to give the dose, but she, as a trained nurse, should have known. On another occasion the doctor reported to witness that Nurse Hillen had given tablets twice in a day, whereas they should only have been given once.

Asked if there was any other complaints, the Matron said she thought Dr. Scott had used Nurse Hillen in connection with this letter. The nurse did not use her own sense in the matter.

She agreed with the recommendation that Nurse Hillen should be dismissed, as she would not feel happy at having her if there was any reason why any of the sisters would be unable to be on duty. She would take no responsibility for Nurse Hillen administering drugs alone.

The inquiry was further adjourned.

SUSPICIOUS VESSEL

SEEN OFF AUSTRALIAN COAST

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

The following message was received to-day from the United States steamship Algic, according to the Mackay Radio:—

"At 7.30 p.m. G.M.T. (8.30 p.m. B.S.T.) on December 30, latitude 25.03° south, longitude 110° east, we sighted a suspicious vessel, large, white-painted, built similar to a tanker, surrounded by four small craft, apparently submarines, heading south-east.

"Owing to their distance from us, we are not able to give a better description."

The Algic is given in Lloyd's Register as a 5,496-ton ship, owned by the United States Maritime Commission. The position signalled is off Dirk Hartog Island, Western Australia.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY COMPANION

BELFAST NEWSBOY WOUNDED IN HIS HOME

Death from a revolver bullet wound, accidentally inflicted by David Campbell, with whom he had been always on good terms, was returned at an inquest held yesterday on Francis Norwood (17½), a newsboy, of 12 Grace street, Belfast, in the City Hall, Belfast.

George Norwood, the father, said that on December 10 he went to bed, leaving the deceased and David Campbell of Catherine street, in the kitchen chopping sticks. Afterwards he heard Campbell shout up to witness's wife, who was also in bed. "Come down, quick!" Witness went down and found his son, Francis, lying on his right side at the bottom of the stairs. He asked what had happened, and Campbell replied: "I have shot him." Witness was slightly deaf and did not hear a shot fired. The boys were always chums and on good terms.

Head Constable M. J. Brennan said that when he reached the Norwood house Mrs. Norwood said that Campbell and her son had been chopping sticks, and that while doing so Campbell struck a cartridge with the chopper. It exploded and the bullet hit her son in the stomach. Witness searched for the missing cartridge, but failed to find it.

District Inspector Shillington told the Coroner that the bullet which caused death was a revolver bullet.

SAILOR WOUNDED IN BELFAST

CONDITION REGARDED AS SERIOUS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Tuesday.

A seaman, named Orosman Oscober, was removed from a ship in Belfast Harbour this afternoon to the Royal Victoria Hospital suffering from bullet wounds, understood to have been sustained during a row with other seamen.

He was found to have a bullet wound in the chest, another in the ribs, and a third in the elbow, and is stated to be in a serious condition. Police are investigating the affair, and it is understood an arrest will be made.

SHIPPING LOSSES

43,300 TONS IN A WEEK

A British official report yesterday stated that shipping losses for the week ended December 23, 1940, amounted to 43,300 tons, comprising 18 ships. Of the total loss, 32,800 tons were British, the rest being neutral. The average weekly losses—excluding those at Dunkirk—since the beginning of the war were 53,000 tons.

A fine of £3 was imposed in Belfast Custody Court yesterday on Joseph Wilson, Runnymede Drive, who was convicted of assaulting a policeman on Monday night. He was also bound over for twelve months.

BIG FIELDS AT BALDOYLE

MISS PAGET'S BID FOR PRIZES

Good Chance for Cratloe Castle in Sutton Hurdle

Trains—Amiens Street, 11.45, 1.0, 1.15. 'Buses from Eden Quay and Burgh Quay from 11.30.

NO less than seven of Miss Paget's horses have been declared to run this afternoon at Baldoyle, where, as usual, the new year's racing starts, and her trainer, Mr. C. A. Rogers, will saddle at least one runner in each race.

Citadel and Knight of Venosas, both of which ran in the Red Cross Steeplechase, are amongst the declared runners for the Claremont Steeplechase. Though neither showed up well on Saturday, Citadel may find the Sutton course more to his liking, and, with weaker opposition, should make a bold bid. He may not, however, be capable of giving close on 3st. to Pantry, who ran St. James's Gate to a head at Mullingar, form which was enhanced by St. James's Gate winning again at Leopardstown. Atco, of course, may be preferred to Pantry, so the vote is for

MISS PAGET'S SELECTED.

Again in the New Year's Steeplechase Miss Paget is doubly represented by John Chinaman and General Chiang, but it is doubtful if either will beat Reveal, who is a very promising young steeplechaser.

Cratloe Castle, who disappointed his connections by falling at the first flight in the Three Years Old Hurdle at Leopardstown, may make amends by winning the Sutton Maiden Hurdle. Blueberry, another Leopardstown disappointment, will take a lot of beating in the Feltrim Hurdle, and there is a strong possibility of Miss Paget's colours being carried to the fore in the two last races by Golden Jack and Gold Emblem. Selections:—

Feltrim Hurdle—**Blueberry.**
Claremont Steeplechase—**Miss Paget's Selected.**
Sutton Hurdle—**Cratloe Castle.**
New Year Steeplechase—**Reveal.**
Novices' Steeplechase—**Golden Jack.**
Corinthian Plate—**Gold Emblem.**
TOTE DOUBLE:
Reveal and Golden Jack.

Tote Double on Fourth and Fifth Races.

Curragh Selections

Feltrim Hurdle—Bel et Bon.
Claremont Steeplechase—**Ateo.**
Sutton Hurdle—**Cratloe Castle.**
New Year Steeplechase—**Pulcher.**
Novices' Steeplechase—**Chinese Legend.**
Corinthian Plate—**Damara.**

2.0—FELTRIN HURDLE RACE of 125 sovs. Second 20 sovs., third 10 sovs. A handicap. 1m 6f. Age st. lb.

BEL ET BON (Capt. G. S. L. Whitelaw) Hartigan a 12 7
HONOR'S CHOICE (Mr. Michael McDonough) ..... Parkinson 6 11 7
SKOITER (Mr. J. V. Rank) Fetherston 5 10 13
FOXWELL (Mrs. P. Ralston)...O'Sullivan 6 10 12
FAIR VON (Lord Queenborough) C. A. Rogers 6 10 11
AMOR DE CUBA (Mr. W. J. Kelly) ..... Owner 6 10 6
CHARON (Mrs. T. N. Atkinson)....Arnott a 9 15
COROLLA (Mr. R. Collen)..... Owner a 9 12
BIRTH (Mr. D. Malone)..... Owner 6 9 11
TRANCE (Mr. F. O'Beirne)..... Lenehan 6 9 11
BLUEBERRY (Mr. H. Davis) Donnelly 6 9 10
SUNNY TOL (Mrs. A. Gil)..... Flynn 6 9 7
COOL AVON (Mr. K. Collen)..... Owner a 9 7
TRACT (Sir Ulick Blake)...W. Byrne a 9 7

Above are declared runners.

100 Bel Et Bon. Carried 12-8 when fifth of 20 to Jim Newcombe (10-11), Stratford-on-Avon April (2 m. 30 yds. 'chase). Unplaced with 12-0 to Roman Hackle (12-0), Cheltenham March (3 m. 'chase). Carried 12-7 when winning 1½ l., 4 l., from Chinese Order (11-9) and Khris Kingle (11-1), Gatwick March (2 m., 'chase).

000 Honor's Choice. See Tract.

000 Skoiter. Unplaced with 8-11 to Archduke II (7-8), Naas Nov. (2 m. flat).

011 Foxwell. Carried 10-9 when winning 4 l., head, from Solve (9-10) and Creggmore (10-7). Phœnix Park June (2 m., hurdles). Blueberry (10-3) was fifth of 9.

000 Fair Von. Unplaced with 10-7 to Amorite (9-2), Leopardstown Dec. (1½ m., hurdles). See Charon and Tract.

000 Amor de Cuba. Unplaced with 7-13 to Ochiltree (8-11), Navan Dec. (1 m. 2 f.).

000 Charon. Carried 10-5 when seventh of 16 to Baybush (10-11), Mullingar Nov. (1½ m., hurdles). Fair Von (11-2) and Trance (10-2) were behind. See Tract.

000 Corolla. Unplaced with 9-3 to Cratloe Castle (8-3), Leopardstown Oct. (1 m.).

0 Birth. Unplaced with 10-2 to Phantom III (12-2), Naas Jan., 1940 (2 m., hurdles).

003 Trance. Carried 10-12 when beaten 1 l.; ½ l., by Joyeuse Garde (10-0) and Blueberry (10-11), Leopardstown, Dec. 28 (1½ m., hurdles). See Charon.

102 Blueberry. See Trance and Foxwell. Carried 9-13 when winning 1½ l., 2½ l., from Avatea (10-6) and Loch Low (9-10), Naas Feb. (1½ m., hurdles).

033 Sunny Tol. Carried 11-0 when beaten ½ .., 1½ l., by Felwin (10-7) and Taffytrap (10-2), Leopardstown, Dec. 26 (1½ m., hurdles).

000 Cool Avon. Unplaced with 10-13 to Another Greek (11-4), Navan Nov. (1¾ m., hurdles).

004 Tract. Carried 9-12 when fourth of 10 to Olive's Pet (10-7), Powerstown November (1m. 5f. 70yds. hurdles). Carried 10-0 when sixth of 17 to Senator (11-7), Leopardstown November (1¼m. hurdles). Honor's Choice (11-6), Fair Von (10-10) and Charon (10-4) were behind.

2.30—CLAREMONT STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second 12 sovs., third 8 sovs. A handicap. 2½m. Age st. lb.

CITADEL (Capt. G. S. L. Whitelaw) Hartigan a 12 9
KNIGHT OF VENOSAS (Mr. R. Loewenstein) ..... C. Harty a 12 3
ATCO (Miss Dorothy Paget) C. A. Rogers a 11 9
MASSEUR (Sir Harold Gray) .....Canty a 10 4
RADIO WAVE (Mr. L. T. Byrne) Owner a 10 3
PANTRY (Miss Dorothy Paget) C. A. Rogers a 9 11
THE CARD (Mr. C. J. O'Brien) H. Harty a 9 8
MISS DEE (Mr. J. G. McKeever) F. Ward a 9 7
SAWDUST CAESAR (Major C. Mitchell) Private a 9 7

Above are declared runners.

110 Citadel. Carried 12-5 when, with Knight of Venosas (11-13), unplaced to The Gripper (11-12), Leopardstown December 28 (2m. 1f. 60yds. 'chase). Carried 12-7 when winning 20 l., bad, from Klondyke (9-3) and Ballyhooley (12-4), Naas September (3m. 76yds. 'chase). Carried 12-7 when winning 4 l., 6 l., from Dottagain (10-9) and Baybush (10-7), Junction August (2m. 100yds. 'chase).

000 Knight of Venosas. See Citadel and Miss Dee.

120 Atco. See Pantry. Carried 12-12 when beaten 1½ l. by St. James's Gate (9-10), Mallow October (2m. 'chase). Carried 12-7 when winning 2 l. from Playaway (10-0), Powerstown September (2m. 2f. 'chase).

000 Masseur. Unplaced with 10-0 to Jim Newcombe (12-1), Ludlow May (2m. 'chase).

004 Radio Wave. Carried 10-11 when fourth of 7 to St. James's Gate (10-13), Leopardstown December 26 (2½m. 'chase).

402 Pantry. Carried 9-3 when beaten head by St. James's Gate (10-1), Mullingar November (2m. 'chase). Atco (11-12) was unplaced.

330 Miss Dee. Unplaced with 9-7 to Alles au Diable (10-3), Powerstown November (3m. 60yds. 'chase). Carried 9-7 when beaten 6 l., 4 l., by Reveal (10-2) and Agag (9-2), Navan November (2½m. 'chase). Knight of Venosas (12-6) was unplaced.

0 Sawdust Caesar. Unplaced with 11-9 to Never Ready (11-4), Tramore December (2m. flat).

004 The Card. Carried 11-1 when fourth of 3 to Prince of Birds (10-7), Limerick December 26 (2m. 200yds 'chase).

3.0—SUTTON MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 125 sovs. Second 12 sovs., third 8 sovs. A handicap. 1½m. Age st. lb.

SHAKE BATTLE (Mr. Jas. Bannon) Gargan a 10 7
RED SALE (Miss P. Beary).....Beary a 11 7
OAK BOY (Mr. E. V. Kelly)....Farrell 6 11 7
MISS DEE (Mr. J. G. McKeever) F. Ward a 11 7
BROWN SAM (Miss Dorothy Paget) C. A. Rogers 6 11 7
MISS FRANCO (Mr. John Byrne) Maxwell 5 11 3
GLOUCESTER (Mr. W. R. Lysaght) D. Rogers 5 11 3
POCKET MONEY (Mrs. D. Doherty) Doherty 6 10 7
CRATLOE CASTLE (Mr. D. Frame) W. Byrne 4 10 7
P. Prendergast 6 10 7
SUN DROP (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner 4 10 7
STONEWALL (Mr. C. S. Malone) Brabazon a 10 7
NEVER NO MORE (Mr. J. F. Suther land) ..... T. W. Dreaper 5 10 7
PORTUGAL (Mr. R. Collen).....Owner a 10 7
BROWN EAGLE (Mr. P. Valentine) H. Valentine a 10 7
BLUE RIBBON (Mr. J. Dillon) Mangan 4 10 2
TANGUIS (Mr. F. S. Myerscough) C. A. Rogers 4 10 2
QUEER SPES (Mr. V. Smyth).....Beary 4 10 2

Above are declared runners.

303 Shake Battle. Carried 11-7 when beaten neck, 4 l. by Topaleen (10-7) and Sunburn II. (11-5) Mullingar Nov. (2m. 2f. hurdles).

001 Red Sale. Carried 11-0 when winning 1 l., ½ l. from Dandy Lee (11-0) and Green Star (11-0), Junction Nov. (1¼m. flat). Unplaced with 11-9 to Queensday (11-12), Naas Nov. (1¼m. hurdles).

033 Oak Boy. See Manor Flat.

330 Miss Dee. See Claremont Chase.

210 Manor Flat. Unplaced with 11-10 to Felwin (10-7), Leopardstown Dec. 26 (1¼m. hurdles). Carried 8-13 when winning 2 l., 1½ l. from Fumble (7-9) and Oak Boy (9-1), Mullingar Nov. (7f. 198 yds.).

034 Miss Franco. Carried 11-0 when fourth of 8 to Golden Hind II. (11-0), Mullingar Nov. (2m. 2f. flat). Carried 11-5 when beaten 4 l. by Hallowmen (11-0) and Duke of Glenlara (10-7), Limerick Nov. (2m. flat).

124 Gloucester. Carried 11-7 when fourth of 11 to Formality (10-2), Mullingar Oct. (1¼m. flat). Carried 9-6 when beaten 4 l. by Boojum (8-9), Listowel Sept. (1m. 2f.). Carried 9-0 when winning 3 l. 1½ from Roe (8-3) and Ard Ree (8-1), Rathkeale Sept. (1¼m. flat).

043 Pocket Money. Carried 10-7 when beaten 11 l. 14 l. by Ballyregan (10-2) and Hallowmen (11-10), Limerick Dec. 26 (1¼m. hurdles). See Stonewall.

210 Cratloe Castle. See Sun Drop.

230 Sun Drop. Carried 10-9 when sixth of 10 to Ladylove (11-0), Leopardstown Dec. 28 (1¼m. hurdles). Cratloe Castle (11-0) fell.

043 Stonewall. Carried 9-7 when beaten 4 l. 14 l. by Sweet Eileen (8-5) and Blitzkrieg (8-12), Tramore Dec. (1¼m. flat). Pocket Money (9-9) was fourth and Never Do More (9-7) fifth of 12.

200 Never No More. See Stonewall.

00 Portugal. Unplaced with 9-9 to Dalmatian (9-12), Navan Nov. (2½m. hurdles).

004 Brown Eagle. Carried 8-11 when fourth of 11 to Apios (8-7) Curragh Dec. (1¼m. 2f.).

000 Blue Ribbon. Unplaced with 10-3 to Another Greek (11-4) Navan Nov. (1¾m. hurdles).

40 Tanguis. Unplaced with 8-9 to Borrowdale (8-9) Thirsk June (1½m. flat).

3.30—NEW YEAR STEEPLECHASE of 125 sovs. Second 20 sovs., third 10 sovs. A handicap. 3m. Age st. lb.

JOHN CHINAMAN (Miss Dorothy Paget) ..... C. A. Rogers a 12 7
MY OWN IT (Mr. R. Collen) .....Owner a 12 0
JACKBOOK (Mr. A. Barry) Sleator, jun. a 11 8
PULCHER (Col. Scott Moore) Fetherston a 11 1
GENERAL CHIANG (Miss Dorothy Paget) ..... C. A. Rogers a 11 0
REVEAL (Mr. R. H. Walker) ...Owner 5 11 0
DONASKEIGH (Hon. J. Cudahy) H. Harty a 10 6
NILISAGAM (Miss A. D. Sealy) G. F. Price a 10 0
YEOMAN (Miss M. Preston) ...Purdon a 10 0

PIPER'S LUCK (Sir James Nelson) Usher 6 9 13
LORD BURFORD (Mr. M. Gleeson) Owner a 9 10

Above are declared runners.

100 Joi Chinaman. See General Chiang.

212 Jackbook. Carried 10-11 when beaten 11½ l. by Knight of Venosas (11-9) Powerstown Oct. (2½m. 'chase). Carried 12-7 when winning 4 l., 2 l. from Piper's Luck (11-10) and Aquarium (12-7) Listowel Sept. (3m. 'chase).

243 Pulcher. Carried 11-0 when beaten 3 l., 1½ l. by Swindon Glory (10-10) and Astrom (11-6) Naas Nov. (3m. 76 yds. 'chase). Donaskeigh (11-4) was unplaced. Yeoman (10-2) fell.

003 General Chiang. Carried 10-9 when beaten 2 l., 1 l. by Agag (9-6) and Corn Prince (12-0) Leopardstown Dec. 26 (3m. 100 yds. 'chase). Lord Burford (9-7) fell. Carried 10-5 when fifth of 8 to Knockadroleen (12-7) Navan Dec. (3m. 'chase). John Chinaman (12-1) was behind.

421 Reveal. Carried 10-2 when winning 6 l., 1½ l. from Agag (9-2) and Miss Dee (9-7) Navan Nov. (2½m. 'chase).

042 Donaskeigh. Carried 12-1 when beaten 6 l. by Clare County (10-13) Limerick Dec. 28 (3m. 'chase). See Yeoman and Pulcher.

010 Nilisagam. Unplaced with 12-4 to Black Mask (10-4) Kilbeggan May (3m. 'chase). Carried 11-12 when winning 1 l., 8 l. from Pure Irish (11-12) and Prince Rowland (11-12) Punchestown (3m. 'chase).

213 Yeoman. Carried 10-3 when beaten 30 l., 5 l. by Last Minute (9-12) and Allez au Diable (10-12) Limerick Dec. 26 (3m. 'chase). Donaskeigh (10-11) was fourth of 7. Carried 9-7 when winning 40 l. neck from Ballyhooley (12-2) and Donaskeigh (10-12) Junction Nov. (3m. 'chase).

030 Piper's Luck. Unplaced with 9-9 to Dalmatian (9-12) Navan Nov. (2½m. hurdles). Carried 10-3 when beaten 4 l., neck by Senator (11-6) and Silver Fizz (9-7) Leopardstown Nov. (1½m. hurdles). See Jackbook.

130 Lord Burford. See General Chiang. Carried 9-7 when beaten 3 l., 4 l. by Hallowmen (9-8) and Swindon Glory (11-3) Leopardstown November (3m. 100yds. 'chase).

4.0—NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second 12 sovs., third 8 sovs. 2m. 1f. 70y. Age st. lb.

SWINDON BEAUTY (Mr. J. A. Mangan) Owner a 12 0
LORD BORIS (Mr. J. P. McAuley) Banahan a 12 0
ROANMORE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner a 12 0
CHINESE LEGEND (Mr. J. Dillon) Walker 5 11 7
THE CROFT (Mr. J. F. Costello) Arnott 6 11 0
DROCHAT-ATHA (Mr. F. W. E. Gradwell) ..... Brabazon a 11 0
GOLDEN JACK (Miss Dorothy Paget) C. A. Rogers 6 11 0
GLENADE (Mr. W. J. Kelly) ...Owner 5 9 12
FIREAWAY (Mr. T. J. Taaffe) ...Owner 5 9 12

Above are declared runners.

000 Swindon Beauty. Unplaced with 10-3 to Amorite (9-2) Leopardstown December 26 (1¼m. hurdles).

000 Lord Boris. Unplaced with 10-0 to The Gripper (11-12) Leopardstown December 28 (2m. 1f. 60yds. 'chase).

102 Roanmore. Carried 10-2 when beaten 2 l. by Balmy Knight (10-7) Junction November (2m. 'chase)

133 Chinese Legend. Carried 11-6 when beaten 3 l., 2 l. by Archduke II. (11-12) and Rockleigh (11-5) Leopardstown December 28 (2m. hurdles).

20 The Croft. Unplaced with 11-2 to On the Go (11-6) Navan October (2m. flat). Carried 11-0 when beaten 20 l. by Flashing Stream (11-10) Tuam August (1¼m. flat).

430 Drochat-Atha. Unplaced with 11-5 to Ballyhooley (11-0) Navan December (2m. flat).

040 Glenade. Unplaced with 11-0 to Another Greek (11-4) Navan November (1¾m. hurdles).

420 Fireaway. Unplaced with 11-4 to On the Go (11-6) Navan October (2m. flat).

123. Golden Jack. Carried 10-6 when beaten 3 l., 3 l. by Brown Admiral (11-8) and Smerwick's Nephew (12-7) Leopardstown December 26 (2m. 175yds. 'chase).

4.25—CORINTHIAN PLATE of 100 sovs. Second 12 sovs., third 8 sovs. A flat race. 2m. 1f. 14y. Age st. lb.

MAID OF ARAN (Mrs. M. F. Clinton) Cox 6 11 9
FAIR KARL (Capt. F. French Davis) Owner a 11 9
EASTER LAMB (Mr. J. F. Hoey) Private 6 11 9
GREEN STAR (Mr. W. J. Byrne) Owner a 11 9
HANDY LAD (Mr. J. A. Mangan) Owner 6 11 9
GOLD EMBLEM (Miss Dorothy Paget) C. A. Rogers 5 11 7
GLENAPP (Mr. A. Barry) Sleator, jun. 4 10 9
SHEELAGH (Mr. John Cox) .....Owner 4 10 9
LINDSEY (Mr. H. Harty) .....Owner 4 10 9
JENKINSTON (Mr. P. J. Leonard) Murray (Lansdowne), jun. 4 10 9
DAMARA (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner 4 10 9
SUMMER STAR (Mr. M. C. H. Purcell) Purcell 4 10 9

Above are declared runners.

0 Maid of Aran. Unplaced with 11-5 to Red Wind (11-3) Navan November (2m. flat).

200 Fair Karl. See Handy Lad.

034 Green Star. Carried 11-2 when fourth of 14 to Galloping Sandy (11-7) Leopardstown December 28 (2m.). Handy Lad (11-7) was behind.

00 Sheelagh. Unplaced with 10-9 to Ladylove (11-0) Leopardstown December 28 (1¼m. hurdles).

433 Lindsey. Carried 10-7 when beaten 8 l., 6 l. by Roe (10-12) and Fireweed (10-12) Killarney July (1¼m.).

2 Jenkinston. Carried 8-10 when beaten 4 l. by Harvest Feast (9-0) Phœnix Park March (1m.).

0 Damara. Unplaced with 8-0 to Apros (8-7) Curragh December (1m. 2f.).

00 Summer Star. Unplaced with 10-5 to Killeshin (11-5) Naas November (1¼m.).

2 Gold Emblem. Carried 10-7 when beaten 10 l. by Solo Flight (10-7) Leopardstown December 26 (2m.).

Curragh Gossip

PROMISING JUMPERS AT HEADQUARTERS

BY OUR CURRAGH CORRESPONDENT.

MOST of our horses are fighting fit for the New Year's celebration at Baldoyle and the meeting at Naas next Monday. Cecil Brabazon's Red Cross 'Chase candidates acquitted themselves wonderfully well last Saturday. Phantom III., Kildonan's Hope and St. Martin had not the least difficulty in "getting round," and for the greater part of the journey Captain Cramsie's horse was much in the argument. I had thought that he had a little too much weight compared with The Gripper, and the pace which he set found the trifling weak spot in the final run home. The three and their hurdling companion, Queensday, returned to headquarters none the worse for their outing, and we may with advantage keep them in mind for immediate meetings. Royal Pride, who is one of the recent additions to the stable, has taken kindly to jumping, and should also win over hurdles in due course.

R. Fetherstonhaugh has his jumpers in fine fettle, and two that are travelling like eventual winners are Airds Moss and Up the Aisle. Captain D. Rogers's recruits to hurdling are displaying excellent promise. Kingston Gorse, Manor Flat, Polyhelia and Gloucester have shown good speed on the flat, and they seem to me to be good for the notebook.

The success of Ladylove at Leopardstown draws attention to the hurdlers in the Osborne Lodge team. Control is probably a winner in the near future over the timber obstacles, and another, though, of course, not up to anything like the same calibre, is Starflyer.

In the spacious Maddenstown Lodge establishment are housed numerous hurdlers and steeplechasers who may be regarded as potential winners of good races. Peter's Well, Honor's Choice, Spirit Level, Clonbern, Durbar, Scotch King, Ferbane, Roaming, Sundrop, Roanmore and others have all considerable racing experience, and will be prominent performers at some of the coming meetings.

In Citadel and Harland Mr. Hubert Hartigan has a couple of high-class fencers under his capable charge, and I shall be surprised if both do not give public indication of their merits before very long. Citadel was immensely fancied to win the Red Cross 'Chase, and I have no doubt that he will make amends for his failure.

Hunting Reports

WARD UNION HOUNDS

With the Red Cross 'Chase such a strong counter- attraction, the Ward Hounds had a very small field at their Palmerstown meet on Saturday, but those who decided to forego the thrills of Leopardstown in favour of hunting were rewarded with a capital day's sport.

The enlargement took place on Mr. John Duffy's land at The Folly, and at once crossing the nearing fence into Jordanstown, hounds hunted steadily to Cottrellstown. They ran by the back of the Grallagh Churchyard to Springhill, and went on towards Malahow, but bore left-handed by Fanning's Walls and Baigaddy to Toheen, where a safe capture was effected at Mr. Moore's farmhouse.

A second stag, enlarged in Mr. Rooney's land at Cottrellstown, went away for Wynnstown. After running a couple of circles through Sweetgrove and Leastown, hounds hunted sharply by Nestown to Naptown, and ran almost to Loughmain before bearing to the right, past the Parochial House at Damastown to the Nag's Head, where the stag was taken in Mr. Marmion's farmyard.

KILDARE HOUNDS

We had a bye-day at the Kennels yesterday, and, drawing Osberstown to start with, hunted a fox to the Liffey and back to covert, where he was [illegible]. Finding then in Coolmoogan, the fox crossed the canal, going as far as Ladytown and back to [illegible], where hounds killed him. They quickly [illegible] another in Herbertstown, and put a second to ground at Stephenstown. It remained for Billiotti [illegible] from the day, and, finding at once, hounds [illegible] down to run their hardest over the point-to-point course and Two-Mile House. Swinging left-handed, they went by Herbertstown covert and through Brophy's furze to ground at Newlands, after a brilliant twenty minutes, without a check.

COUNTY DOWN STAGHOUNDS

Under ideal weather conditions—in fact, a glorious hunting morning—the County Down Staghounds met on Boxing Day at Raleigh, where a large gathering of people had assembled to welcome the hunt. Motor cars were there by the hundred and bicycles by the dozen.

A very successful enlargement took place by Mr. James Hurst. Hounds were laid on; they ran very fast with a great burst of music towards Drumgiven, bearing slightly right-handed in the direction of Ballynahinch Junction-Crossgar Railway. On reaching it, they ran left-handed over Ballydrain towards Ballynahinch Junction, crossing the railway, over Mill Hill to Woodside, and through Rowallen, crossing the main Crossgar road and Railway line near Doran's Rocks. From here the line lay over those meadows, with their well-known drains, which took some negotiating, towards Carson's Dam bridge. Up to this we really never checked except crossing the railway.

From here on, with Drumnanabay Hill on the left, we went very fast towards Carrickmannon Lough, passing Carrickmannon down to the bog at Ballygowan, where hounds put up our quarry in the bracken. Breaking away in view, hounds, running with a great cry, continued fast over a good line towards Drumreagh, where a well-known open drain stopped most of those remaining. Crossing the Blackwater River, hounds ran on without a check to Florida Manor, where they were at fault. After being righted they hunted past the scutch mill and on towards Strangford Lough, where a safe capture was effected—only five finishing with the huntsman, every hound being up. Hounds and horses had quite enough, as it was a fast and continuous hunt of over 2½ hours with a 9-mile point, and nearly twenty miles as hounds ran.

We had the largest field of the season—some thirty riders—amongst whom were several military officers stationed in the area. The country people and sight-seers were most enthusiastic, and it speaks well for hunting to see such enthusiasm even in these times.

FOR'ARD-ON.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

TO-DAY.

South Co. Dublin Harriers (children's day)—Springvale, Rathfarnham, 2 p.m. Co. Clare Hounds—Lahson, 12 noon (old time). Naas Harriers—Newbridge, 1 p.m. North Mayo Harriers—Crossmolina, 12.30 p.m. Bree Hounds—Ballymackessy Bridge, 12 noon (old time). Island Hounds—Ballymina.e Cross-roads, 12 noon. Kilkenny Hounds — Mullinavat West, 11.30 a.m. Meath Harriers—Dunmover, 12.30 p.m. Co. Limerick Hounds (bye-day)—The Manor, 12 noon. Boyne Harriers—Easterange, 12.30 p.m. Thurles and Kilshane Hounds—Rosmult, 12 noon. Bray Harriers—Calary School, 1.30 p.m. Scarteen Hunt Hilton, 12 noon. Strabane Harriers—Carrickfergus, 1 p.m. Dunalley Hounds—Terry's Screens, 11.30 a.m.

TO-MORROW.

East Down Harriers—Bright, 12 noon. Tipperary Hounds—Knavanilla School, 11.30. West Waterford Hounds—Fairyhouse Gate, 1.30. Rosscommon Harriers—Derrane, 12.30 p.m. Tara Harriers—Shallonstown, 12 noon. Wicklow Harriers—Croghan Bridge, 12 noon. Kildare Hounds—Calverstown Village, 11 a.m.

HUNT CARDS

KILDARE HOUNDS.—January—Thursday, 2nd, Calverstown Village, 11.0; Saturday, 4th, Sherlockstown Cross-roads, 11.30; Tuesday, 7th, Rathcoffey Cross-roads, 11.0; Saturday, 11th, Betaghstown Cross-roads, 11.30; Tuesday, 14th, Johnstown Inn, 11.30; Saturday, 18th, Courtown Gate, 11.30; Tuesday, 21st, Dunlavin, 11.0; Saturday, 25th, Celbridge, 11.30; Tuesday, 28th, 18th Milestone, 11.30; Thursday, 30th, Davidstown Cross-roads (bye-day), 11.0.

WEST WATERFORD HUNT.—January—Saturday, 4th, Geoch; Tuesday, 7th, Half-Way; Friday, 10th, Modelligo; Tuesday, 14th, Aglish; Wednesday, 15th, dance, boat-house, Cappaquin; Saturday, 18th, Creagh; Thursday, 23rd, Touraseena; Monday, 27th, Knockhill; Thursday, 30th, Clashmore. At 12 o'clock.

NORTH MAYO HARRIERS.—January—Wednesday, 1st, Crossmolina; Monday, 6th, Enniscrone; Thursday, 9th, Townamore Cross-roads; Thursday, 16th, Bonniconlon; Thursday, 23rd, Riverview; Thursday, 30th, Kiglass.

THURLES AND KILSHANE HOUNDS.—January—Tuesday, 21st, New Bill.

WARD UNION HOUNDS.—Change of Meet—To-morrow—Fairyhouse Gate, instead of Dunshaughlin.

MEATH PONY CLUB

The Meath Hunt Pony Club rally fixed for Saturday next at Killeen is postponed pending the Government's decision regarding petrol.

Rugby Football

Club Games as Trials for Universities *v.* Rest

BY OUR RUGBY CORRESPONDENT.

THE new year will not bring anything of outstanding interest in Rugby for the first three weeks; then one of the big matches of the season, the Combined Universities v. The Rest of Ireland, takes place at Lansdowne road, so the club games in the interval will serve to some extent as trials, although I fancy that both sets of selectors have the bases of their team mapped out. Last season the Universities won by 5 points to nil, and they may repeat that success, as all the interprovincial sides this winter have contained a large proportion of university men. A couple of months ago the Leinster Universities fairly pulverised a Rest of Leinster XV., so that may give an indication of where the strength lies.

The interprovincial series will be resumed on the first Saturday in February, Connaught returning the visit to Limerick which Munster paid to Galway three weeks ago. A week later Munster come to Lansdowne road to meet Leinster, and on February 22 Leinster make the journey to the West, where Connaught will be desperately keen to do better than the draw at Kilkenny, in which Leinster enjoyed all the luck. March 8 is last date, Ulster being Leinster's opponents at Lansdowne road.

The senior club list for next Saturday has some interesting pairings. Blackrock College are at home to Clontarf, and we will see whether they can snap out of the bad spell they had in the early weeks of last month. Clontarf will certainly test them fully, especially if Fred. Moran strikes his best form. Old Belvedere will be Wanderers' opponents at Lansdowne road, and here we should see open, attractive football, in which the visitors may hold the stronger hand, although they are the most unpredictable of Leinster clubs.

Yet another level pairing would appear to be Bective and Lansdowne at Donnybrook. Lansdowne outplayed Old Belvedere in their last fixture before Christmas, and, although they lost to Wanderers on St. Stephen's Day, they seem to be an improving side, so there should be little between these two. St. Mary's take on a tough assignment in College Park and they will probably be outpaced by the Trinity backs, but the keenness of their forwards and the hard tackling of the men behind have surprised several of the stronger clubs already, so Trinity will need to be at their best to win.

PROVINCIAL GAMES TO-DAY

The Leinster branch are continuing the missionary work they started last season by sending a useful Dublin XV. to Tullamore to-day to oppose a Provincial team. The Dublin side is strong in the back division with two of our leading centres in G. J. Quinn and L. O'Brien, fast wings in K. Doyle and N. McNelis, and a powerful half-back combination of T. D. Brophy and C. Fox—these six would almost be entitled to represent the province. The forwards are an experimental lot, but several promising men are being given a chance. Although outplayed in the orthodox attacking three-quarter game last year, the Provincials more than held their own forward, and if they can do so again to-day it might be quite a close game.

The Trinity Knights, who gave such a delightful display of open, combined Rugby against an Army side just before Christmas, are taking on strong opposition in Clanwilliam Selected at Tipperary this afternoon. The latter have a leavening of first-class Dublin players in the backs, including the international full-back, Con. Murphy; the U.C.D. centre, P. O'Donnell, who played for Munster against Ulster, and Munster halves in D. Torrens and J. Thompson. Lansdowne supply three forwards—W. Sutherland, S. Murray and G. McDermott—and the presence of two of the best forwards in the country—D. O'Loughlin and D. O'Malley—will make the pack extremely powerful. Clanwilliam should hold a decided advantage here, but the combination of the Trinity backs will make that team very difficult to beat.

SCHOOLS' CUP DRAW

SENIOR CUP.

Section A—First Round—Jan. 30—A: C.U.S. v. Sandford Park. Second Round—Feb. 7—C: High School v. A; B: Presentation (Bray) v. Presentation (Glasthule).

Section B—First Round—D—Jan. 17: O'Connell's v. St. Columba's; E: Blackrock v. Terenure. Jan. 18—F: Castleknock v. Mountjoy; G: St. Andrew's v. Wesley. Jan. 20—St. Mary's v. Belvedere; Roscrea v. C. Jan. 21—J: Clongowes v. Newbridge; K: King's Hospital v. B.

JUNIOR CUP.

Section A—First Round—Feb. 4—A: Mountjoy v. Presentation (Glasthule); B: Presentation (Bray) v. St. Andrew's.

Section B—First Round—Feb. 11—C: St. Columba's v. Wesley; D: A v. Newbridge. Feb. 12—E: Wilson's Hospital v. St. Mary's; F: King's Hospital v. Belvedere. Feb. 13—G: Masonic v. Terenure. Feb. 14—I: B v. Castleknock; J: High School v. Kilkenny.

SCHOOLBOYS' MATCH

At Donnybrook yesterday Clontarf Schoolboys beat Bective Rangers' Schoolboys by 12 points to 5 points. Scorers for Clontarf were:—Campbell two tries, MacClancy and Denver one try each. B. Flanagan crossed for Bective and D. Flanagan converted.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Provincial XV. v. Dublin XV., Tullamore.
Clanwilliam Selected v. Trinity Knights, Tipperary.
Lansdowne Schoolboys v. Blackrock Schoolboys. Lansdowne road, 3.0.
Blackrock Junior Schoolboys v. Lansdowne Junior Schoolboys. Williamstown, 3.0.
Wanderers Schoolboys v. Belvedere College. Lansdowne road, 3.15.
Monkstown Schoolboys v. Clongowes. Sydney Parade, 3.0.

TEAMS.

Dublin XV.—W. B. Sterling (Old Wesley); N. McNelis (Old Belvedere), G. J. Quinn (Old Belvedere), L. O'Brien (Blackrock College), K. Doyle (Bective Rangers); T. D. Brophy (Blackrock College), C. G. Fox (Wanderers); C. V. Murphy (University College), J. J. Walker (St. Mary's College), S. Devaney (Lansdowne), A. O'Meara (Bective Rangers), H. V. Milroy (Clontarf), E. G. Flynn (Palmerston), J. E. McCourt (Monkstown), W. D. Boyle (Dublin University).

Provincial XV.—R. P. Corish (Wexford Wanderers); N. de Vere Whannon Buccaneers), G. Spiers (Athy), F. Jeffares (Dundalk), T. Bradley (Kilkenny); F. Fenlon (Carlow), N. Plewman (Athy); P. J. Kelly (Tullamore), H. D. Barry (Wexford Wanderers), G. Leonard (Athy), P. Donnelly (Shannon Buccaneers), J. Brooks (Kilkenny), O. McGlinchey (Tullamore), S. Brennan (Newbridge), J. Hoey (Drogheda).

Trinity Knights—P. St. G. Anderson; R. Craig, S. Walshe, R. J. Craig, C. R. Hulme; F. E. A. Carry, H. de Lacy; C. Bradfield, J. Donnellan, T. O'Driscoll, J. Walshe, C. Anderson, S. N. Rutherford, J. N. Greene, J. B. Fitzsimons.

Clanwilliam Selected—C. J. Murphy (Lansdowne); D. Davis (Clanwilliam), S. Morrisey (U.C.D.), B. O'Brien (U.C.C.), P. O'Donnell (U.C.D.); D. Torrens (Limerick Bohemians), J. Thompson (Lansdowne); W. Sutherland (Lansdowne), Murray (Lansdowne), G. McDermott (Lansdowne), D. O'Malley (U.C.G.), W. O'Dwyer (Clanwilliam), D. B. O'Loughlin (Dolphin), J. Buckner (U.C.C.), M. Fitzgerald (Clanwilliam).

Wanderers Schoolboys—Browne, Lee, Latchford, McCaw, Larmour; Charles, Bradshaw, Gaw, Moore, Boland, Allen (A. L.), Parkes, Leveroni, Huggard, Hamilton. Sub.—Harrison.

Monkstown Schoolboys—A. W. Gray; R. D. Moore, G. R. B. Crowley, W. A. Wright, R. O. Connolly, D. O'Rafferty, V. Hamoter, N. O'Donoghue, F. H. Moore, C. Burke, L. Doyle, A. Evans, M. C. O'Maille, N. Speidel, B. P. Harris, F. Murray.

Gaelic Games

The Solution for Present-Day Football Difficulties

(By PAT'O.)

INTEREST in Gaelic football matches during 1940 was maintained, and the League season provided some good games. On the whole, however, the controllers of the code are not satisfied with the standard of play in major championship matches. Quite possibly Gaelic football is passing through a transition stage between the old and new order. What will come out of the boiling pot remains to be seen. But it almost boiled over in the recent All Ireland finals, when free kicks for infringements were at the rate of one per minute. We had sixty-one frees in one hour's play between Kerry and Galway at Croke Park last September, and at no stage did those skilful movements develop that made earlier finals a treat to watch. Gaelic football has struck a bad patch in the playing sense, though its popularity is greater than ever.

What is now known as "Kildare" passing has so altered Gaelic football that it is becoming a new game altogether. Should any country decide on a wholehearted passing policy there is nothing whatever in the rules to prevent eight forwards forming a line from wing to wing and hand-passing back and forward from one field's end to another.

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DANCES

IRISH MARINE SERVICES' COMFORTS FUND

The New Year was seen in by more than 400 people in the Royal Hibernian Hotel last night, when a successful dance was held in aid of a fund to provide comforts for the Irish Marine Services.

The arrangements were in the hands of a committee, who spared no trouble to make the function a success.

The ballroom had been gaily decorated with international code flags, and the members of Jimmy Campbell's band, who provided an excellent programme of the latest dance music, wore nautical uniform.

A cabaret, presented by Jimmy Campbell, was one of the attractions of the evening, and raffles and carnival novelties provided additional enjoyment.

The following constituted the committee—Lady Glenavy, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Douglas, Mrs. T. G. Wilson, Mrs. Herbert Wright, Mr. C. McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. J. McNaughton, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sinnott, Lady O'Loghlen, Mrs. Terence Roche, Miss M. Cullen, Captain and Mrs. Alan Gordon, Mrs. Eric Brittain, and Mr. and Mrs. Toby Miller.

Among those also present were—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ferguson, Major-General and Mrs. McNeill, Colonel Lawlor, Commander and Mrs. Morris, Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs. O'Brien Twohig, Mr. and Mrs. Percy McGrath, Ensign McKenna, Mr. K. Broderick, Mr. Peter Odlum, Mr. D. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. A. Odlum, Sir George and Lady Murphy, Lady Hartigan, Colonel Jury, Mr. Pierce Purcell, Miss Pamela Mooney, Mr. Peter Stapleton, Dr. T. G. Wilson.

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MOUNT LOFTUS HARRIER HUNT

The Mount Loftus Harrier Hunt dance at the Brandon Theatre, Graiguenamanagh was exceptionally well attended.

Those present included—Dr. W. H. and Mrs. O'Brien, Mr. W. and Mrs. Mullins, Mr. P. and Miss Healy, Miss Thorp, Mrs. Segrave Daly, Mrs. Grattan Bellew, Mr. J. Murphy, Mr. J. O'Donnell, Mr. J. J. Gaul and Miss Gaul, Mr. W. L. Joyce, Mr. T. Walshe, Mr. W. J. and Mrs. Walshe, Mr. J. Drennan and Mrs. Drennan, Captain Sullivan, D.F.; Lieutenant Ryan, D.F.; Mr. — and Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. L. McCann, Miss E. Pender, Mr. J. Kehoe and Miss Kehoe, Miss Power, Miss Wymmes, Mr. D. McMin and Mrs. McMin, Mr. D. and Mrs. Murphy, the Misses Carroll, Mr. W. Quirke, Mr. E. Prizeley, Miss Fairbairn, Mr. T. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Gilmartin, Mr. W. Connolly, Mr. D. and the Misses Kirwan, Mr. E. V. Drennan and Mrs. Drennan, Mr. E. Leclare, Mr. E. Hayden, the Misses Gaul, Miss B. Joyce, Miss O'Gorman, Mr. D. Coady, Mr. R. Kelly, Mr. S. Nolan, Miss Kelly, Mr. D. Foley, Mr. P. Healy, Mr. J. and T. Kearney and Miss Kearney, Mr. M. Lanigan, Mr. M. Stokes, Mr. W. Buggy, Mr. J. Farrell, Mr. A. and Mrs. Furlong, Mr. R. and Miss Bowe.

ARMY PROMOTIONS

The following promotions in the Army have been announced:—

To be Temprary Captains: Francis Creedon, Daniel Francis Savage, Stephen John Morrogh, Thomas Gerard Loughnane, Michael Stanislaus O'Beirne, Joseph Hayes, Joseph Daniel Samuel Murray, Patrick William Kiernan, John Thomas Coghlan, Walter James Buchan, John James Burke, John Joseph Winters, Bartholomew Roland, John Joseph Walls, Michael Francis McElligott, Francis Carroll, Thomas Joseph Gorman, John Haigh Gallagher, Seaghan Fathach O'Beirn, Donnchadh Quill.

To be Temporary Lieutenants: Second Lieutenants T. Henry Grattan Bellew, Jeremiah O'Connell, William Corri, Robert Henry Walpole, Diarmuid Micheal O'Sullivan, Edmund Joseph Breslin, Peter Hugh McKenna, Thomas Sylvester Armstrong, John McGonnell, James Duffy, William Moore, Walter Humphreys Milligan, Peter Fallon, James Joseph Conway, Christopher Patrick Crowley, Declan Celsus White, Laurence Finnegan, Joseph Cox, John Joseph Byrne, Jeremiah Robinson, John Mulcahy, Henry Patrick Carrick, Joseph Patrick Sullivan, Daniel Patrick Buckley, Raymond Patrick Sisk, Daniel Hyland, Samuel Patrick Irwin, Peter White, James Seymour Davis, Desmond Tone Seale, Laurence O'Neill, John Kelly, Denis Sheeran, Arthur T. Connick, John William Gorman, Christopher Robert O'Malley, Michael Love, Seamus McNeill, Thomas Joseph Clarke, Thomas Edward Heavey, Frederick Bertram Barton, Joseph Fallon, Thomas James Morris, Christopher Joseph Reilly, Francis Joseph Cunningham, James Donaghy, Charles Robinson, John Michael Murphy, James Shiels, Francis Conway, Michael Murrin, William Joseph Fagan, Francis John Boyle, Percy Robert O'Donnell, John Harbourne, Cornelius Alphonsus Moloney, James Hurley, John William Corcoran, Patrick Joseph Crawford, Michael Ernest Hanahoe, Patrick Edward May, Richard Leo Higgins, Patrick Watson, David Beglin, George Arthur Birmingham, Joseph Kevin Birthistle, John Reginald Gorman.

BUILDING PROGRESS

POSITION IN NOVEMBER LAST

A return issued last night gives the number of houses completed by local authorities, private persons and public utility societies and the number of houses reconstructed by private persons to the 30th November under the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Acts. The figures in brackets indicate the numbers to 31st October.

New houses completed by urban authorities, 25,205 (25,008); in rural areas 18,021 (17,723); by private persons and utility societies (urban and rural), 30,674 (30,674); houses reconstructed by private persons (rural areas only), 26,476 (26,111). Total, 100,376 (99,160).

An appeal has been sent to King George asking him to intervene in a strike at Spratt's dog biscuit factory in Newark (N.J.), says Mr. Samuel Macri, local organiser for the Congress of Industrial Organisations.

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commences
TO-DAY
(New Year's Day)

NOTE
Goods will not be sent on **APPROBATION** during First Week of Sale

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Please state clearly the style, colour and price of Goods required.
POSTAGE EXTRA ON ORDERS UNDER 20/-

USEFUL TWIN SET IN BRUSHED WOOL. The Jumper has round neck and short sleeves. Available in 20 smart colours. Regular Price, 25/6 the Set. **Sale Price, 21/-**

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SMART CHUBBY UMBRELLAS, 7/11. **Now 6/11**
Every Umbrella is offered at Reduced Prices during SWITZERS Sale.

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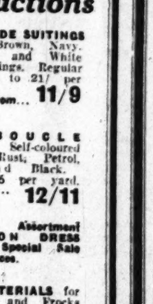

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PRO-CATHEDRAL, DUBLIN

SPECIAL SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

Te Deum for the blessings and graces of 1940 was sung yesterday at the Pro-Cathedral, Dublin, in the presence of a crowded congregation. The clergy present were:—The Very Rev. M. F. Boylan, Adm.; the Rev. J. P. Camac, the Rev. P. O'Flynn, the Rev. T. B. Condon, the Rev. E. Gallen, D.D.; the Rev. L. Thackaberry, the Rev. F. Kenny, and the Rev. H. J. McKernan.

The Palestrina Choir, conducted by Dr. Vincent O'Brien, sang carols and hymns, including "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "Virgin Most Pure" (carol), "The Holy City" (soloist, James Burke), "Silent Night" (carol), "The Lost Chord" (soloist, J. Mooney), "Panis Angelicus" (soloist, Joseph MacNally), and "Noel."

A sermon was preached by Father Thackaberry, who said that they should be grateful that peace had been preserved in this country and that people should demonstrate their gratitude by larger attendances at the special peace devotions.

Solemn Benediction was given by the Very Rev. M. F. Boylan, the deacon being the Rev. F. Kenny and the sub-deacon, the Rev. H. J. McKernan.

The Rev. T. B. Condon was master of ceremonies. During exposition of the Blessed Sacrament the *Te Deum* was sung, and at the conclusion of the Service the choir sang the Hallelujah chorus from the "Messiah."

STAMPS OF THE WEEK

The Mint Stamp Company, 74 Grafton street, Dublin, have sent us the following new stamps for illustration:—

GREAT BRITAIN. 1940. Coil. Watermarked Sideways. 2½d. Blue. (Price 3½d. each.)

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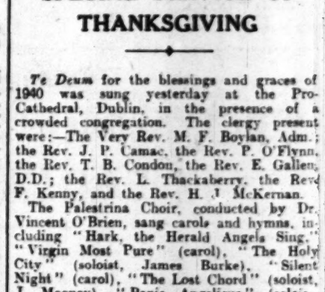

CIVICS INSTITUTE BALL

The Civic Ball at the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, on Friday next, January 3rd, promises to be one of the social events of the New Year. It is held under the auspices of the Civics Institute of Ireland, and nothing is being left undone to ensure its success.

The ball has been organised to raise funds for nursery centres and children's playgrounds. It is under the patronage of three Ministers of State, the Presidents of both University Colleges, the President of the High Court, the Lord Mayor and the City Manager. Mr. R. N. Hogan is chairman of the ball committee, and the honorary secretaries are Miss B. Plunkett and Miss Babs Smith. Supper tables and a running buffet have been arranged. Dancing will continue until 2 a.m.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Wednesday, January 1.
Irish Land Commission, at Examiners' Chambers, at 89 Merrion square. Before Mr. Ryan, at 3.30 o'clock—Mary B. Molloy (S. 4782), discharge ruinas.

CORK READING MORE

CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Cork people are reading more. The November report of the librarian attached to the city's public library states that 36,498 books, of all kinds, were issued during the month. This represented an increase of 5,728 for the same month last year, and 1,203 over the previous highest total recorded for a single month.

The report shows that the adult and juvenile lending departments showed increases of 5,129 and 732 respectively, and the reference department a decrease of 193. Issues during the month included such daily figures as 1,794, 1,825, 1,898, 1,949 and 2,115, and on thirteen days the issues exceeded 1,500. The issues in the juvenile department became so high that the librarian (Mr. Eugene Carberry) was obliged to suspend the issue of new tickets to avoid overcrowding. The actual numebr of children borrowing regularly from this department at present is 1,306, and the number of books issued in a single evening several times exceeded 300. On a few occasions the figure was 400.

The number of borrowers' tickets issued during the month was 1,045, an increase of 134 on the same month last year. Since the librarian's last report, 89 new books were added to stock, and 85 worn out volumes replaced by new copies. These figures were very much lower than in normal times, due to the fact that delivery of several hundred books on order since early in October had not taken place and later lots of books sanctioned for purchase had consequently been held up. The number of volumes sent for re-binding was 515.

GIFT TO CORK LIBRARY

TWO PAINTINGS FROM HAVERTY TRUST

At the monthly meeting of Cork City Library Committee a letter was received from the Thomas Haverty Trust Committee, stating that the trust had allocated two paintings to the library, and, on the motion of the chairman (Mr. Sean Moore, M.Sc.), seconded by Mr. A. Barry, a resolution thanking the Trust Committee was adopted.

The paintings are Frank McKelvey's "Farmyard, Co. Antrim," and "Sunday Morning," by Frances Kelly.

NORTHERN TILLAGE CENSUS

ALL FARMERS TO BE VISITED

Members of the R.U.C. are to visit every farmhouse in Northern Ireland for the purpose of obtaining information regarding the utilisation of land, the area under crops, the quantity of potatoes on farms, the quantity of silage made in 1940, the number of certain agricultural machinery, the numbers of live stock, and the numbers of paid workers on their holding at January 1.

Under the Agricultural Returns Act it is compulsory for farmers to give the information, but this can only be used for statistical purposes, and details in respect of any individual farm will not be published or disclosed except for this purpose.

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